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It gives me great pleasure in presenting the "Jaina Grantha Bhandars in Rajasthan" to the readers. It is a thesis written by Dr. K. C. Kasliwal and approved by the University of Rajasthan for Ph. D. Degree This work contains a complete description of the 100 Grantha Bhandars situated through out Rajasthan. In my opinion this is the first work of its kind where comprehensive information about Jain Literature written in Prakrit, Samskrit, Apabhramsa, Hindi and Rajasthani has been given. From the work it is clear that Jains of Rajasthan took great interest in the safe preservation of the manuscripts written not only by the Jain authors but also by the non-Jain authors. I think it will greatly help to the students of Indian Literature and especially of Jain literature.

This is the 13th volume of the publication made by the Research Department of Shri Digamber Jain Atishaya Kshetra Shri Mahavirji. Four volumes of detailed catalogues of Jain Grantha Bhandars of Rajasthan have been published so far and the 5th volume is under compilation in which a detailed list of 20 thousands manuscripts will be given. Apart from the publication of the catalogues, two old and valuable works of Hindi Literature 'Jinadatta charita' and 'Pradhumna charita' have so far been published and which were welcomed by the Hindi scholars as an asset to the literature. Recently we have also published a collection of Hindi Padas called 'Hindi Pada Sangrah' in which 400 padas composed by about 40 Jain poets have been given.

In the last I feel pleasure in recording my thanks to the author of this book and to Dr. H. L. Jain who has kindly written forward of the book.

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FOREWORD

It will be readily accepted that the basis of all civilization and culture is intellectual activity of man. But the earliest human thoughts and feelings were all lost to us for want of any material preservation of the same. A new age dawned when the thought-activity began to find expression in various kinds of crafts and arts. This may be said to be the dawn of history. It was however at a very late stage that man learnt to express his thoughts in language and record the same in some material form. Thus literature began to grow, human knowledge began to accumulate and each generation grew wiser and wiser by the recorded ideas and experiences of their predecessors. Art collections and literaries may therefore be said to be the most valuable part of national wealth, as on them is based the pride of heritage and the pace of future progress.

During the last few centuries every progressive country has not only adopted serious measures to preserve all its ancient art and literary treasures, but has also taken steps to discover even those archaelogical remains which lie hidden underground. And it is on all these finds that the magnificent structure of history has been built.

Amongst these sources of history and culture the literary monuments of the past ages rank supreme Unfortunately, in our country the search for old manuscripts though going on for atleast one century, has not yet been exhausted. Numerous manuscript-stores attached to public temples and private libraries have not yet been properly catalogued and even a casual inspection brings to light valuable works unknown so far. This is particularly the case with the Jaina libraries known as Shāstrs Bhandars, Dr. H. D. Velankar listed no less than 121 catalogues of Mss. in his Jinaratna-kośa published in 1944. Many more catalogues have since been published the most important of them being those of Jaisalmer and Rajsthan Shāstra Bhandars in several volumes.

In the compilation and publication of the Rajasthan catalogues Dr. Kastoor-chand Kasliwal played an important role, and he followed up his efforts by a research thesis on "Jaina Grantha Bhandars in Rajasthan" which was approved by the University of Rajasthan for the award of the Ph. D. Degree. It is very gratifying to know that this valuable work is now being published. The wealth of information brought together in this volume will, I am sure, be found to be very useful to those who are interested in the search for MSS. So for as I know, it is for the first time

that a systematic study and research has been made on a subject like this. Much welcome light has been shed here about the ancient art of calligraphy as well as on hundreds of manuscript libraries in Rajasthan and outside, by reading which vivid picture comes before our eyes how knowledge was preserved and dissemineted in ancient times. Owing to the new arrangements of the chief manuscript stores and their published lists, it is now for more easy to make use of the MSS, than what it was about thirtyfive years back when I visited Jaipur in search of Apabhramsa works and had to make huge efforts for about two weeks in order to get even a glimpse of the Bhandar at Amer. Dr. Kasliwal has laid the scholarly world under a deep debt of gratitute by his efforts in compiling the lists and by giving them the present valuable work. I very much wish that similar efforts were made regarding the other parts of our vast country, and their literary treasures are made fully known to the scholarly world before they are irretrievably lost by sheer passage of time and lack of that system of copying and recopying the mss, which kept them alive for centuries in the part.

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PREFACE

An attempt has been made in the following pages to give a detailed account of the Jaina Grantha Bhandars of Rajasthan in particular and of India in general. A list of Jaina Bhandars situated throughout the country has been given but it is not exhaustive. Some details of the contents of some of them would be found in chapter II. This thesis is related mainly to the Jaina Grantha Bhandars of Rajasthan situated at capitals and important towns of the integrated princely states. It embodies the categories of the manuscripts, especially rare and unpublished alongwith some details of material of various types available in the Bhandars. Most of the Bhandars described have been visited by me and in some cases the catalogues of their contens have been prepared and the importance of certain manuscripts has been pointed out.

This thesis has been prepared under the supervision of Dr. M. L. Sharma, M. A. D. Litt. Professor and Head of the Department of History, University of Rajasthan who worked hard for me and whose valuable guidance enabled me to complete this work in time. I am deeply grateful to him. I am also indebted to the Managing Committee of Shri D. Jain Atishaya Kshetra Shri Mahaveerji, its President Dr. R. M. Kasliwal and Secretary Shri Gaindi Lal ji Shah whose munificence and interest are responsible for the publication of this thesis. I am equally thankful to Pt. Chainsukh Das ji Nyayatirtha who inspired me to take up research work and my colleague Shri Anoop Chand ji Nyayatirth for his cooperation and assistance as also to Shri Prem Chand and Shri Agar Chand ji Nahta

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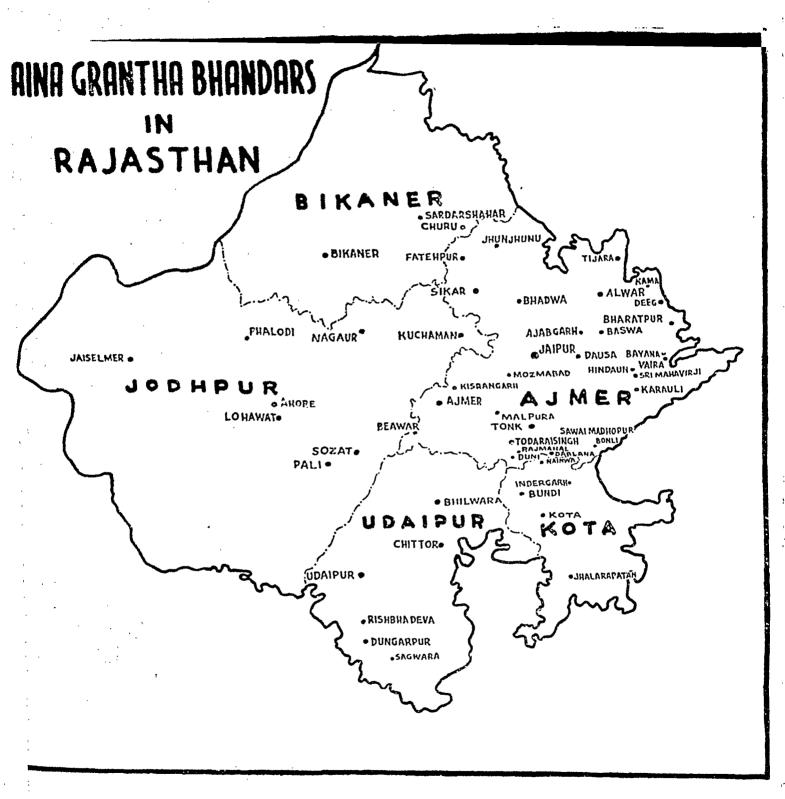
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INTRODUCTION

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In ancient India writing was not in practice. The memory of the people was so sharp that they felt little need for the art of writing. It was considered to be a sin to reduce the sacred texts to writing. So education was imparted orally from generation to generation. It was not the case with the Jainas only. The non-Jainas also had the same method of imparting the knowledge. The entire Vedic Literature in the beginning was oral, The texts were ordinarily recited and handed down orally from preceptor to disciple. The students used to get the texts by heart without a single error in pronunciation and accent for which there are definite rules. The Vedās are called Śruti owing to this oral system of learning.

According to the Jaina legends the gospels preached by all the Tīrthankaras were oral and upto Mahāvīra, the last and twenty-fourth Tīrthankara the same system of preaching the sermons orally remained in practice but the art of writing existed in Mahāvīra's time though it was not used in writing down the books. According to Jaina Purāṇasi the first Tīrthankara Lord Riṣabhadeva taught his two daughters named Brāhmī and Sundarī. The Brāhmi script was later on became after her name². There are references in ĀVAŚYAKANIRYUKTI BHĀṢYA that Brāhmī script was originated by Lord Ādinātha. Thus the Jainas also shared the general Indian averseness to reduce the sacred texts into writing. When the literature grew more voluminous, the sūtra system was adopted as it was a very easy form for remembering the sacred literature. Much knowledge can be imparted in few words. The teachings of Lord Mahāvīra were reduced to Sūtra form by Gautama Gandhara who was the head of Jaina hierarhy and received direct teachings from omniscient Mahāvīra. Thus the whole of the Dwādaśānga Vānī is in Sūtra form. But gradually the sūtra system also could not help in preserving knowledge and the general attitude for not reducing the sacred texts into writing was modified.

^{1.} इत्युक्त्वा महुराणास्य विस्तीर्गो हेमपट्टके ।
ग्रिधवास्य स्वचित्तस्थां श्रुतदेवीं सपर्यया ।। १०३ ।।
विमु: करहयेनाभ्यां लिखन्नक्षरमालिकाम् ।
उपादिणत्लिपि संख्यास्थानं चाङ्कौरनुक्रमात् ।। १०४ ॥
——Ādipurāna 16

⁻Ādipurāņa, 16th Parwa

^{2. (}a) लेहं निविवीहागां जिएोगा वंभीड दाहिएा करेगां।

[—]Āvaśyakanirykti Bhāṣya

⁽b) तथा 'वंभि' ति ब्राह्मी=ग्रादिदेवस्य भागवतो दुहिता ब्राह्मी वा संस्कृतादिभेदा वाग्गी तामाश्रित्य तेनैव दिशता ग्रक्षरवेखनप्रिया सा ब्राह्मी लिपि:।

⁻Samavāyānga Sūtra Ţīkā P. 36

WHY SACRED TEXTS WERE REDUCED TO WRITING

The sacred texts which were previously in the form of sūtrās began to increase rapidly. Besides, new works came into being, texts on several subjects were written and commentaries and bhāṣyas on the original texts were made and this multiplication of knowledge necessiated the reduction of the sacred texts to writing.

RECURRING & DEVASTATING FAMINES

After the nirvān of Mahāvīra in 527 B. C¹. famines visited the land pretty often². During Maurya Candra Gupta's reign there was a continuous draught for 12 years. This was followed by another famine which also lasted for a long time After the time of Sthool Bhadra, there was again a famine³. In short, after nirvān of Mahāvīra several famines came in the country and due to these famines the retentive power of the memory of people began to decline.

Owing to the frequent famines many Jaina monks died. The knowledge which was in the memory could not be saved from destruction. Owing to only these famines Ācārya Bhadra Bāhu who had the complete knowledge of the sacred texts also migrated to south with a large body of Jaina monks numbering about twelve thousand, where most of the monks died. After the death of Bhadra Bāhu the complete knowledge of the sacred texts was lost.

CONFERENCES TO PRESERVE THE TEXTS

In the absence of Bhadra Bāhu who migrated to South India, Sthūla Bhadra who had the less knowledge of the Pūrvas became the Head of the Community which remained behind in Magadha. There was fear that the knowledge of the sacred texts might lapse into oblivion. A council of the Jaina monks who were in the North India was convened in Pātliputra at which eleven Angās were compiled and the remanants of 14 Pūrvas were united to form 12 th Anga, the Ditthivāya. This was the first attempt made by Jainas to reduce the sacred texts to writing. But when the adherents of Ācārya Bhadra Bāhu returned to North, they saw a big change among the Sādhus. It is also said that they had also changed the sacred texts though slightly. At this time Digambaras refused to acknowledge the canons compiled by Sthūl Bhadra and his followers and they declared that the Pūrvas and Angas taught by Mahāvīra were lost to a great extent.

^{1.} Jacobi-Kalpa Sūtra- Introduction P. 8.

^{2.} Ancient India Vol. III, by T. C. Shah.

^{3.} History of Jain Monachism by S. B. Deo. P. 20

^{4.} Mediaeval Jainism by B. A. Saletore P. 3

After the Pāiliputra conference several attempts might have been made to compile and reduce the sacred texts into writing, but two of them are important, one made by Digambaras and the other by Swetāmbaras. As for Digambars sources Shri Dharaśeṇācārya¹, the last Acārya who had retained the knowledge of one fraction of Angās and Pūrvas felt the necessity of preserving the remaining Jñana (knowledge). He called two sages who afterwards became famous as Puṣpadanta and Bhūtabali². and taught them the portion of the fifth anga. Viyāhapannatti and twelth Anga Ditthivāya. These were subsequently reduced into writing in Sūtra form by the two eminent pupils. Puṣpadanta composed the first 177 sūtras which are all embodied in the present "SATPRARŪPANĀ" and his colleague Bhūtabali composed the rest which is called ṢAṬA KHANDĀGAMA. The date of composition of the above work is about 1st or second century B.C.

As per Swetāmbars³ sources it has been stated that a second attempt was made in Vīr Samvat 980 (in about the middle of 5th or beginning of the 6th Century). A council was held at Vallabhī in Gujrāt for the purpose of collecting the sacred texts and writing them down. The Conference was attended by a large number of Jaina monks and was presided by Devardhigani Ksamāśramana, the head of the school and with the common consent by the Jaina monks who were present at that time, the Angas and upāngas were comitted to writing.

Thus it is certain that the system of writing down the manuscripts was in practice even before Bhadra Bāhu as the works of Sidhānta cannot have originated at one period. It may be true that canons which were compiled by Puṣpadanta and Dɛvardhigaṇi was the result of a literary activity that must have begun as soon as the organisation of monastic life was firmly established. As a matter of fact there are inscriptions of the 1st and 2nd century B.C. which confirm that the art of writing was much developed in those days. Thus it can safely be said that Devardhigaṇi's labour consisted merely of compiling the sacred texts partly with the help of old manuscripts and partly on the basis of oral traditions. This was the beginning of the religious manuscripts.

FACTORS WHICH HELPED THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE GRANTHA BHANDĀRS

When the method of writing down the sacred texts was fully adopted, it was but natural that great and best efforts were made to write down all the texts which were in existence. On seeing the increasing number of the manuscripts day by

^{1.} Preface to Mahābandha p. 14 and Śrutāvatār p. 316

^{2.} Ibid. by Vivudh Śridhar

^{3.} Bhārtiya Jaina Śraman Sanskriti Ane Lekhan Kalā, p. 16

day, the Ācāryas and the Head of Community decided that the temples should be the place where these manuscripts should be preserved as they were the only place where the manuscripts could be kept safe and could be easily accessable to the scholars. The place began to be called by the name of Grantha Bhandārs i.e. Storehouses of knowledge. They are also called Śāstra Bhandārs.

SĀDHU'S WORK

The Jaina monks gave their best support to the establishment of the Grantha Bhandars as they realised their great educational and social value. Since Ācārya Bhadra Bāhu upto 16th Century A.D. there were powerful personalities among them and their influence on the public was tremendous. They used to travel through out the country on foot and explained to the Jaina intelligentsia the importance of the sacred texts. Ācārya Kunda Kunda, Umāswāmi, Sidhasena, Devanandi, Devardhigani, Aklank, Haribhadra Sūri, Jinasena, Gunabhadra and Hemcandra etc, not only filled the Sastra Bhandārs with their own works but preached the importance of writing down the manuscripts to the masses. They took initiative in the foundation of these Bhandars. They spent the best part of their life in establishing these store houses of knowledge for the posterity.

They explained to the masses that writting down of the manuscripts is not only essential from the educational or religious point of view but it is also a great source of earning goodness (Punya) for future. If we read the prasastis which are written at the end of the manuscripts, we shall see that most of the manuscripts have been copied out due to the result of teachings of these monks². The Acāryas prea-

⁽¹⁾ एहु सत्यु जो जिहइ लिहावड, पढ्ड पढावह कहड कहावड।
जो गारु गारि एहु मिगा भावड, पुगाह ग्रहिउ पुण्यफलु व पावइ।।
— Vaddhāmān Kahā by Narsena
य नेत्यपिन जिनजासनपुस्तकानि, व्याख्यानयन्ति च पडन्ति च पाठयन्ति ।
श्रवगान्ति रक्षगावियी च समाद्रयन्ते, ते देवमर्त्यशिवणर्म नरा लभन्ते ।।
— Updeśa Tarangani.

⁽²⁾ ये ले त्रयस्ति सकलं सृत्रियौज्युयोगं जब्दानुजासनमजेपमलंकृतीश्च । छन्दाँनि जास्त्रमपर च परोपकारसम्पादनैकनिषुगाः पुरुषोत्तमास्ते ।।६४।। कि कि नैर्न कृतं न कि विविषतं दानप्रदत्तं न कि । केवाऽज्यन्न निवारिता तनुमतां मोहार्ग्यवे मज्जताम् ।।६५।। नो पुण्यं किमुपाजितं किमु यजस्तारं न विस्तारितं । सरकल्यागकतापकारग्रामिदं यै: जासनं लेखितम् ।।६६॥

ched that one who does not write or persuade others to write the Granthas or manuscripts, is good for nothing. Only those persons are regarded high and noble who distribute the manuscripts to others for the sake of spreading knowlege.

At the end of most of the manuscripts we find the following words written "one who writes or makes individuals to write, one who hears or one who makes others to hear, one who gives or one who makes others to distribute, is noble and sharer of Punya. He will surely attain Nirvān some day. The Jaina teachers also stressed the daily reading of these manuscripts and due to inclusion of the Swādhyāya (self-reading) in the six duties for a layman, the system of writing of the manuscripts increased day by day and more and more books were placed in the śāstra bhandārs as they were the centres of reading.

BHATTĀRKAS & JATĪS

Bhattārkas and Jatīs or Śrīpūjyas and their disciples called Mandalācāryas, Pāndyās and Brahmacārīs etc. were the originators of the Caityawāsi system. The Bhattarkas and Jatis had great influence on the Jaina community for about seven to eight hundred years. Besides their other contributions to the Jaina community, their services towards the establishment of the Sastra Bhandars were valuable and noteworthy. Though they used to travel throughout the country but for a sufficient time and specially in rainy season they used to live at fixed places and such places of their stay became the centres of the manuscript libraries. They were great scholars also. They wrote works themselves and placed their copies in the various temples. Even today the centres of these Jaina Monks are the big centres of Śāstra Bhandārs. namely Nāgaur, Āmer, AJmer, Pātan, Jaisalmer, Ahmedābād, Bikāner, Jaipur, Kāranjā, Dūngarpur, Jainabidri. All the Grantha Bhandars were established by these Bhattarkas. As for example the Sastra Bhandar of Amer was established by the Bhattārak Mahendra kīrtī in the 17th Century. The Granth Bhandār of Ajmer was founded by the Bhattarak in 12 th Century. The famous Granth Bhandars of Nagaur and Jaiselmer were established in Samvat 1572 (1515 A.D.) and in 12th Century respectively. They used to engage several scholars and copyists to copy out the works.

^{(1) (}a) तिह केविल चरिउ ग्रमरछरेगा, गायगादी विरयउ विछरेगा। जो पढइ सुगाइ भावइ लिहेइ, सो सासय सुहु ग्रविरल लहेइ।।

⁻Sudaņsaņa Cariyu by Naynandi

⁽b) पढे सुरा उपजे सुबुधि हवे, कल्यारा शुभ सुख धररा। मन हरिस मनोहर इम कहै, सकल संघ मंगल कररा।।

⁻Dharma Pariksā by Manohardās

religious days they pressed the masses to present such manuscripts to the temples and Granth Bhandārs. Most of the manuscripts which are available in the Libraries, were presented to the temples by the Śrāvakas on the advice of these monks.

- (1) As for example a copy of Uttarapurāna of Puspadanta was presented to Muni Dharmacandra by Śri Paharāja and Dhanaraj and his wife Pātamdey in Samvat 1577 (1520 A.D.) after getting the manuscript written.
- (2) In Samvat 1533 (1476 A.D.) Dhanakumār Carita was copied for the sake of Muni Ratan Bhūṣaṇa and presented to him by Sāha and Dāsā at Nayan-pur².
- (3) In Samvat 1616 (1559 A.D) the manuscript of Pāndava Purāṇa was presented to Mandalācārya Lalitakīrti at Āmer by Śri Nemā in the Neminatha Jain temple³.
- (4) The manuscript of Yasodhara Carita was presented to Ācārya Śubha Candra who was the pupil of Bhattārak Candrakīrti by Sāh Nāthu in Samvat 1661 (1504 A.D.)⁴
 - (1) संवत् १५७७ वर्षे नागपुर वास्तब्ये साघु ग्रहंदास तद्भार्या ग्रल्हासिरि तत्पुत्र साघु पहराज द्वितीय घनराज भार्या पाटमदे एतैरिदं शास्त्रं लिखाप्य मुनिश्रीधर्मचंद्राय दत्तं ।

--Uttarpurāņa Ţĭka-Āmer Śastra Bhandār

(2) संवत् १५३३ वर्षे पीप सुदि ३ गुरौ श्रवणनक्षत्रे श्रीनयनपुरे सुरत्राण गयासुद्दीन राज्ये......तिच्छव्य मुनि रत्नभूषण तिन्निमत्ते खंडेलवालान्वये साह नाथू तद्भार्या नैग्णिसिरि तयो पुत्राः पचायण भार्या पुंसरी । साह तेजा भार्या तेजासिरि तत्पुत्र साह छूंगर । साह गोल्हा भार्या गोल्हिसिरी तयोः पुत्रौ साह दासा तयोः निजज्ञानावरणीय कर्मक्षयार्थिमदं धन्यकुमारचरित्रं स्वहस्तेन प्रदत्तं ।

-- Praśasti Sangraha Āmer Sāstra Bhandār-Jaipur

- (3) संवत् १६१६ वर्षे माद्रपदमासे शुक्लपक्षे चतुर्दशीतिथी वुधवासरे घनिष्ठानक्षत्रे स्नामेर महादुर्गे श्रीनेमिनार्थाजनैचत्यालये श्री राजाधिराजमारामल्लराजप्रवर्तमानेसाह नेमा इदं शास्त्रं पांडवपुरागानामानं मंडलाचार्यश्रीललितकीर्तये घटापितं दशलक्षगा- त्रतोद्योतनार्थ।
 - --Pāṇḍava Purāṇa--Āmer Śāstra Bhandār-Jaipur
- (4) संवत् १६६१ श्रावग्।मासेसाह नायु तेनेदं यशोधरचरित्रं लिखाप्य मट्टारक श्री चन्द्रकीर्ति तस्य शिष्य श्राचार्यशुमचन्द्राय दत्तं कर्मक्षयनिमित्तं ।

-- Yasodhara Carita.

- (5) In the year 1634 Bāī Karmā presented Jai Kumār purāņa to Brahma-kāmarāja in the city named Surat¹.
- (6) Ādipuraņa was presented to Bhattārak Surendra Kīrti by Dewān Balcandra Chābra in Samvat 1833 (1766 A. D.2)
- (7) Pravacana Săra was presented to Muni Dharma Candra in Samvat 1577 (1502 A.D) at Nagaui³.
- (8) Bhāva Sangraha of Devasena was presented to Ācārya Lalitakīrti by Sah Malu in Samvat 1609 (1552 A.D) at Śerpur⁴.
- (9) In Samvat 1551 (1494 A.D.) Labdhisār was presented to Muni Laxmī Candra by sri Pāsa śah at Medpāt śripur Nagar⁵.
- (10) In Samvat 1632 (1575 A.D) Praśnottara Śrāvakācar of Sakalkīrti was copied by Pandit Ratna for Bhaṭṭārak Lalita Kīrti⁶.

Moreover whenever, they found any manuscript lying. unpreserved or in a bad coundition, it was placed in the Sāstra Bhandār by these monks, Due to this system of collection we find today several manuscripts written outside the places where the Śāstra Bhandārs are situated. Thus the institutions of Bhattārkas ond Śri Pūjyas were the best supporters in the establishment, safe preservation and enhancement of the Śāstra Bhandārs. Their services in this respect will always be remembered.

(1) संवत् १६६१ वर्षे गुज्जर्देशे श्री सूरतिवदार श्रीवासपूज्यचैत्यालये ह् वडजातीयवाई करमा ब्रह्मश्रीकामराजाय जयकुमारपुराण् दत्ते ।

Jaikumār Purana.

(2) संवत् १८३३ वर्षेभट्टारक श्री १०८ श्री सुरेन्द्रकीर्तये दीवानश्रीवालचन्द छावडागोत्रस्तद्वियं दणलक्षगाव्रतोद्यापनार्थं इदं प्रस्तकं घटापितं ।

--Ädipurāņa--Āmer Sāstra Bhandar-Jaipur

- (3) Amer Bhandar Prasasti Sangrah Page. 36
- (4) Rājasthān ke Śastra Bhandār ki Grantha Suchi Vol III. p. 21

(5) --do - p. 32

(6) --do-- p. 32

RULERS & ADMINISTRATORS

Rulers and Statesmen contributed equally to the establishment and preservation of the Jaina Grantha Bhandars. The Rulers who were non-Jainas also saved these Bhandars from destruction. The South India dynasties like Rastrakūtas Cālukyas, Pandyās and Gangās gave their best assistance to these Bhandārs and due to the support of these kings, there are still great centres of literature. Mahārājā Java Singh Sidha Rāy who was very fond of learning established a Royal Library by getting good many books written on the different subjects. He got several copies of Sidha Hema Vyākaraņa prepared and presented them to the scholars and various Grantha Bhandars. Kumarpala established 21 Sastra Bhandars in every one of which he placed a copy of Kalpa Sūtra written in golden ink!. He at his Guru Hemcandra's advice employed several hundred scribes to make copies of the scriptures and distributed them all over India. A number of manuscripts still exists. He himself used to visit the libraries and took much interest in them. Pethadadeva, the Minister of Mandavgarh also established seven Bhandars.

Among the Administrators, ministers and Dewans of the various states who founded and gave support to the establishment of the Śāstra Bhanḍārs may be mentioned the names of Vastupāl, Tejapāl, Pethada .Sāh of Mandava, Bharata, Nanna, Nānū Godhā, Balcandra Chābrā. Amarcanda and others. Vastupāl and Tejapāl were interested in establishing the Sastra Bhandars. Vastupal2 who built one of the famous temples at Mount Abu, established a Bhandar also at a cost of 18 lakhs, which was later on destroyed by the Muslim invaders. Vastupāl wrote one manuscript with golden ink and six manuscripts on Palm leaves. Pethada³ Sāh the minister of Mandavagrah was the follower of Acarya Dharma Suri and during the preach of his Guru whenever there comes name of Gautama, the minister presented one gold coin for the writing of the manuscripts. He established seven Sastra Bhandars including one at Abu at a cost of 36 thousand gold coins. He provided silken satchels and gold plates to protect leaves from thumb impression at the time of reading. Nānū Godhā: who was the minister of Rājā Mānsingha requested Śri Bhattāraka Gyānkīri to compose Yaśodhara Carita. Bal Candra⁵ Chabra and Amar Candra who

^{ा.} श्रीकुमारपालेन सप्तणतलेखकपार्ग्वात्६लक्ष ३६ सहस्त्रागमस्य सप्तप्रतयः सौनर्गाक्षराः श्रीहेमाचार्यप्रगीतव्याकरगा-चरितादिग्रन्थानामेकविशति प्रतयो लेखिताः ।

⁻Upadeśa Tarangini p. 140

Bhārtīya Jaina Śramana Samskriti Ane Lakhan Kalā by Muni Punya Vijai. p. 83 2.

^{3.} Updeśa Tarańgini page 134.

Yasodhar Carita preserved in Amer Sästra Bhandar, Jaipur. 4.

^{5.} Vīra Vānī vol. I

were the Dewans of the Rulers of Jaipur State, got written several manuscripts and distributed to the various Sastra Bhandars of Jaipur City. They also constructed Jain temples in Jaipur City and established Sastra Bhandars in them.

Bharat¹ and Nanna, the ministers of Rastrakūta dynasty in Mānyakheta requested the famous poet Puspadanta to compose Mahāpurāṇa in Apabhraṁśa language in 9th Century and patronised the poet. The minister also got many copies of the Mahāpurāṇa and distributed them in various parts of India.

Mohan Dāsa who was the Dewān of Mahārajā Sawai Jai Singh (1678 to 1724) constructed a very big temple in Āmer and established a Grantha Bhanāār in it.²

Dewān Ramcandra Chābrā (1784), Rao Kripārām Pāndyā (1782 to 1790) and several other Dewāns of Āmer and Jaipur gave their full support for the establishment of Granth Bhandārs and copying out the manuscripts for distribution.

ŚRĀVAKAS

The Śrāvakas played a prominent part in the preservation of these Bhandars. They enhanced the number of manuscripts by their presentation to Sastra Bhandars. On every religious day they used to offer some book. They used to request the scholars and monks to compose the new works and when the new works were completed they got several copies written and presented one copy to each Sastra They gave support to the scholars. Caudharī Devarāj, Nemicanda Śrīdhar, Sādhu Bhullan, Todarmal, Harsa Sāha, Hemrāj were among the thousands of Śrāvakas who requested the scholars and got prepared the manuscripts. The most important and valuable contribution of these Śrāvakas was that they always wanted the books in the common and national language and also requested the authors either to translate the original works into common language or to compose the new one so that they could leasily be able to read these works themselves. Moreover there were several merchants and bankers who got written several copies of these manuscripts and distributed them to the various manuscript libraries for the sake of reading. After the down fall of the institution of Bhattarakas, they saved the Śastra Bhandars from disintegration. They took the management in their own hands and in the time of muslim attacks they concealed them in the basements of the temples. In the later period of 17th to 19th Century, there had been many Hindi Scholars in Rājasthān and Gujrāt who not only composed the works but also shared equally in

^{1.} Uttara Purāna of Puspadanta.

^{2.} Vīravāni, Jaipur. Vol. I.

writing down the manuscripts and supplied them to various places. They were so enthusiastic that as soon as the learned scholar Pandit Toḍar Mal of Jaipur (18th Century) translated the voluminous Prākrit work of Gommaţasār into Hindi prose, the manuscript copies of this work were got written down and supplied to important Bhanḍārs of not only of Upper India but of South India also. In the later period they formed an institution where only copying out of manuscripts was done. These institutions existed in most of the important literary centres such as Āmer, Sāṅgāner, Cāksu Toḍāraisingh, Nāgaur, Jaisalmer, Duṅgarpur, Sāgwāra, Sāmbhar etc. Such an institution was closed only 40 years ago in the Jaipur City after the system of printing came fully in vogue.

Some of the names of the Śrāvakas out of the thousands are given here under:—

- (1) Dharṇā Sāh under the preachings of Jina Bhadra Sūri presented some manuscripts written on palm leaves to the Bhandār of Jaisalmer.
- (2) Sahajapāl who lived in Ahmedābād wrote himself hundred manuscripts for presentation to the Grantha Bhanḍārs.²
- (3) Devasunder and Somasunder of Tapagacha undertook the restoration of Bhandars at Paṭan and Khambat.

Raidhu, the famous Apabhramsa poet wrote more than twenty books in Apabhramsa language and every one of them was composed on the initiative of the Śrāvakas. The poet also presented his works to the Śrāvakas after giving their full description. In his Dhankumāra Carita he gives full story of Naṭṭala Śāh who requested him to compose the work. Naṭṭala Śāh was famous throughout India and

- संवत् १४८७ वर्षे श्रीखरतरगच्छे श्रीजिनराजमूरिपट्टालंकार श्रीगच्छनायक श्रीजिनभद्र मूरिगुक्लामुपदेशेन पुस्तकमेतिल्लिखितं, शोधितं च । लिखापितं शाह श्ररणाकेन मृतसाइया महिनेन ।
- २. श्रीमदहम्मदावादवास्तव्यः संघनायकः । सहजपालनामाऽऽसीत्, पुण्यप्राग्मारमासुरः ॥१५॥ ज्ञानावरणकर्मोत्यध्वान्तध्वंसविधित्सया । गुरूणामुपदेशेन, ससंघपतिरादरात् ॥२३॥ पदमाईप्रियापुत्रविमलदाससंयुतः । स्रलेखयत् स्वयं वृत्तोरमुप्याः शतशः प्रतीन् ॥२४॥ Prasasti of Kalpa Kirnāwali
- 3. A Descriptive Catalogue of Manuscripts in the Jain Bhandars of Pattan P. 40
- 4. Prasastri Sangrah of Amer Sastra Bhandar, Jaipur. P. 105.

had his business in all the provinces at that time. He also requested Kavi Śrīdhara to compose Parswanātha Caritra in the year 1189 A.D.

Māṇṇika Rāja wrote his Nāga Kumāra Carita at the request of Todar Mal who was famous in his time as Vastupāl was famous in 12th Century in Gujrāt.

Yasah Kīrti composed the Pāndava Purāna in Apabhramsa language and presented his work to Ksemrāja the son of Viiha.²

Jinadatta Carita, a Hindi work of 12th Century was composed by Rajasing on the request of the Śrāvakas.³

Dungara kī Bāvanī was constructed by the poet Padam Nābha on the request of Dungara in 15th Century.

Caubīsi Gīta was composed by Delha on the request of some Śravakās in the 14th Century.⁵

Jambū Swāmi Carita was composed by Śri Nāthurām on the request of Kiśan Dev son of Mool Cānda.

Jain ladies also took great interest in getting the manuscripts written by the scholars and copyists. Poet Shridhar, wrote his Bhavisyadatta Carita on the request of Rūpanī wife of Nārayan.⁷

TEMPLES

Except a few, all the Grantha Bhandars are situated in the Jaina temples and Upāsarās. This shows that in the past these temples remained the centres of learning. The Bhattarkas, Jatīs and Pāndyās, and also some of the scholars used to live in the temple and worked there. They also imparted the religious and other

- 1. Praśasti Sangraha of Āmer Śāstra Bhanḍāra, Jaipur. P. 113
- 2. Ibid. P. 122.
- 3. Manuscript preserved in Sästra Bhandara, Jain Temple Patodi, Jaipur.
- 4. Sästra Bhandar Tholiya Jaina Temple. Jaipur.
- 5. Rajasthān ke Śāstra Bhandāron kī Sucī, Part II. P. 379
- 6. -do- Part III. page 211
- 7. Prasesti Sangrah of Amer Śāstra Bhandar, Jaipur. P. 153.

kinds of education to the students at their residence. Students were not taught only religious books but other subjects also such as Grammer, Ayurveda, Jyotiśa and Mathematics etc.

We find a Jaina temple even where there are only a few families and in every temple there is a Grantha Bhandar attached to it having a small or large number of manuscripts. This shows that not only in the past but even today the temples are the centres of intellectual activities. This condition is specially applicable to the Jaina temples of Rajasthān. The Grantha Bhandārs of Nāgaur, Jaisalmer, Bikāner, Alwar, Bharatpur, Jaipur Ajmer, Tonk, Udaipur, Dūngarpur, Koṭa, Būndi, Kāmā, Dæg etc. are situated in temples only.

MATERIAL USED FOR MANUSCRIPTS

Manuscripts which are housed in the Grantha Bhandars are of various kinds. In the VRIHAD KALPA SŪTRA five kinds of books are described:-

गन्डीपुस्तकः कच्छपीपुस्तकः मुब्टिपुस्तकः सम्पृटफलकः छेदपाटीपुस्तकष्वेति पुस्तकाः ।

These five kinds of books are mainly those which are written on palm leaves. Now we shall consider the various kinds of material on which manuscripts were written. Some of them which are found frequent in the Grantha Bhandars are as follows:-

Manuscripts written on Palm Leaves
Manuscripts written on Bhojpatra
Manuscripts written on Cloth
Manuscripts written on Paper
Manuscripts written on Paper
Manuscripts written on Copper Plates

MANUSCRIPTS ON PALM LEAVES

When the system of reducing the sacred texts into writing was adopted, palm leaves were used for writing. Before 13th Century, the paper industry was neither developed adequately nor was it considered proper to write the manuscripts on paper. The oldest dated manuscript found in one of the Grantha Bhanḍārs of Jaisalmer is of 11th Century and is written on palm leaves. This is a manuscript of OGHA NIRYUKTI VRITTI of Samvat 1117 i.e. 1060 A D. There is a description

found in the KUMĀRPĀL PRABANDH that once the King Kumārpāl went to visit the library. Seeing that the books were being written on paper he enquired the reasons for this and he was told that due to the shortage of palm leaves the papers were used.¹

The manuscripts written on pālm leaves are frequently available in the Bhandars of South India in a good number and in the Bhandars of Pattan, Cambay, Dhalaka, Karnāvatī, Vijapur, Candawāti, Jaisalmer, and Prahladanpur. The pālm leaves manuscripts are also of various kinds such as written in ordinary ink, and in golden ink and illustrated one.

All the palm leaves manuscripts have either one hole in the middle or with two holes on the left and the right in case of long manuscripts. The manuscripts are generally placed between two wooden plates.

MANUSCRIPTS WRITTEN ON CLOTH

Cloth was a material used by Jaina Scholars for the manuscripts and specially the Citra Paṭās. Yantra Paṭās, small Stotrās (prayers) and other such material used to be written on cloth. The earliest manuscript written on cloth and found in Jaina Śāstra Bhanḍār of Paṭṭan is of 1361 A.D. This manuscript consists of 92 leaves measuring 25'x5". The manuscript is well preserved and the letters are very clear. The other manuscript is of 1396 A.D. and is Sangrahaṇi Tippankam preserved in the same Bhanḍār. There is another manuscript Pratiṣṭhā Pāṭha in the Grantha Bhanḍār of Pārswanātha Jaina Temple of Jaipur. This manuscript was written in the 17th Century. Some manuscripts are illustrated with coloured pictures which represent the Tīrthankars. There is a painting on cloth in a Grantha Bhanḍār Pāṭodi Jain temple, Jaipur in which the idea how the Rājpūta Rulers became dependent on the British, is shown. The maps of three worlds, Jambū Dwīpa, Videha Kśetra, Adhai Dwīpa and other places according to the Jaina Geography are available in abundance in the Grantha Bhanḍārs.

MANUSCRIPTS ON PAPER

In most of the Grantha Bhandars in Northern India, manuscripts are generally found written on paper. But there is no such manuscript written before

१ एकदा प्रातर्गु रून् सर्वसाधू श्च विन्दित्वा लेखकशालाविलोकनाय गतः । लेखकाः कागदपत्राणि लिखन्तो दण्टाः । ततःगुरुपार्थ्वे पृच्छा । गुरुभिरूचे श्रीचौलुक्यदेव ! सम्प्रति श्रीताडपत्राणां त्रुटिरस्ति ज्ञानकोशे. श्रतः कागदपत्रेषु ग्रन्थलेखनमिति ।

13th Century. Manuscript written in 13th Century are good in number in some Bhandars of Rajasthan as well as of Gujrat. This shows that in 13th Century the paper industry was much developed. The paper was manufactured in various places of India and was widely manufactured in Rajputana also. The paper Industry was carried out at some places, such as Sanganer, and Bikaner. The manuscripts which are in the several Grantha Bhandars of Jaipur are written on paper which was prepared in Sanganer which is 8 miles from Jaipur City.

The manuscripts written on paper are of several size and also of various kinds. The leaves are numbered only on one side. The corners of left and right of the several manuscripts are decorated with the various kinds of paintings in red and blue. Paper manuscripts are found written in golden and silver ink. They are also illustrated one. Such manuscripts are found generally in Swetāmbar Grantha Bhandārs. There is manuscript of Kalpasūtra written in golden ink and richly illustrated which might cost about a lakh.

Manuscripts written on wooden plates and copper plates are few in number. But all the Yantras which are in the Jaina temples are written on copper plates.

There is a large Yantra Literature in Jaina temples. All the Yantras are either on copper or bronze plates. Except these, there are silver and gold plates on which also Yantras and Mantras are written and are placed in temples.

पिट्टकातोऽ लिखच्चेमां मवंदेवाभियो गिएा : । श्रात्मकर्मक्षयायाथ, परोपकृतिहेतवे

> —Commentary of Uttarādhyayana by Nemi Candra (12th Century)

There is a Kāṣtha Paṭṭikā in Jaisalmer Bhandar which is also illustrated.

The copyists of the manuscripts used to write with special pens which were prepared by the experts. Different kinds of pens were used in writing the manuscripts on palm leaves, paper or cloth. In Sanskrit we shall see the various types of pen described in the following lines:-

ब्राह्मणी ज्वेतवर्णी च, रक्तवर्णी च क्षत्रिणी । वैश्यवी पीतवर्णी च, ग्रसुरी श्यामलेखिनी ।।१।। ज्वेते मुखं विज्ञानीयात्, रक्ते दरिद्रता भवेत् । पीते च पुष्कला लक्ष्मी:, ग्रसुरीक्षयकारिणी ।।२।। चिनाग्रे हरते पुत्रमयोमुखी हरते यनम् । वामे च हरते विद्यां, दक्षिणा लेखिनी लिखेत् ।।३।। ग्रग्रग्रिवहरेदायुर्मेध्यग्रन्थिहरेद्धनम् । पृष्ठग्रन्थिहरेत्, सर्वं निर्ग्रन्थिलिखेनी लिखेत् ।।४।। नवागुनिमता श्रोष्टा, ग्रष्टी वा यदि वाऽधिका । लेखिनी लेखयेन्नित्यं, वनवान्यसमागमः ।।४।।

KINDS OF INK USED

The ink used in writing the manuscripts was also of various kinds. There are six kinds and their method of preparation was also different. Three kinds of ink used for writing on palm leaves are as follow:—

1st kind

सहवर-मृङ्ग त्रिफलाः, कासीसं लोहमेत्र नीली च । समकज्जल बोलयुता, भवति मपी ताडपत्रासाम् ॥

2nd and 3rd kind

कज्जल पा (पो) इए। बोलं, भूमिलया पारदस्स लेसं च।
उसिराजलेरा विघसिया, विष्या काऊरा कुट्टिज्जा ।।१।।
तत्तजलेरा व पुराग्रो, घोलिज्जंती दढं मसी होइ।
तेरा विलिहिया पता, वच्चह रयगीइ दिवसु व्व ।।२।।
कोरडए चि सरावे, ग्रंगुलिग्रा कोरडिम्म कज्जलए।
महह सरावलगं, जांव चिय चि [कि] गं मुग्रइ।।३।।
पिचुमंदगुंदलेसं खायरगुंदं व वीयजलिमस्सं।
मिज्जिव तोएगा दढं, महह जा तं जलं सुसइ।।४।।

4th kind

Means of preparation for writing on the paper or cloth:-

निर्यासात् पिचुमन्दजाद् द्विगुिग्ति वोलस्ततः कज्जलं, संजातं तिलतेलतो हुतवहे तीव्रातपे मर्दितम् । पात्रे णूल्वमये तथा णन (?) जलैलक्षारसैर्मावितः सद्भल्लातक-भृगराजरसयुक् सम्यग् रसोऽयं मपी ।।१।।

5th and 6th kind

मध्यर्थे क्षिप सद्गुन्दं, गुन्दार्थे बोलमेव च ।
लाक्षा बीयारसेनोच्चैर्मदयेत् ताम्रभाजने ।।१।।
बोलस्य द्विगुगां गुन्दो, गुन्दस्य द्विगुगा मणी ।
गर्दयेद् यामयुग्मं तु, मणी वज्नमा भवेत ।।१।।

There were also some rigid principles of writing the manuscripts and the writer had to follow them. How long the letters should be and of which size, where the letters should be curved and where they are required to be written in straight way:-

ग्रक्षराणि समशीपीणि, वर्तुं लानि घनानि च। परस्परमलग्नानि, यो लिखेत् स हि लेखकः।। समानि समशीपीणि, वर्तुं लानि घनानि च। मात्रासु प्रतिवद्धानि, यो जानाति स लेखकः।। शीपोपितान् मुसंपूर्णान् शुमश्रे शिगतान् समान्। ग्रक्षरान् वै लिखेद् यस्तु, लेखकः स वरः स्मृतः।।

QUALIFICATION OF COPYISTS

Every layman was not allowed to write or copy out the manuscripts. The writer should have been familiar with the Alphabets of every state and an expert in all the languages. He should be genius, good in talking, sensible, and having control over his INDRIYAS:

सर्वदेशाक्षरामिजः सर्वभाषाविशारदः । लेखकः कथितो राजः सर्वाधिकररोषु वे ॥१॥ मेघावी, वाक्पटुर्धीरो, लघुहस्तो जितेन्द्रियः, परशास्त्रपरिज्ञाता, एप लेखक उच्यते ॥२॥

The writer should possess the various instruments of writing. These have been described in the following stanza:

कुंपी १ कज्जल २ देश ३ कम्बलमहो ४ मध्येच शुभ्रं कुशं ४, कांबी ६, कल्म ७, कृपािएका ६, कतरस्मी ६, काष्ठं १० तथा कागलम्ं ११ । कोकी १२, कोटरि १३, कल्मदान १४, ऋमसे १४, किट्ट १६ स्तथा कांकरो १७, एते रम्यककाक्षरैण्च सहितः शास्त्रं च नित्यं लिखेत् ॥१॥

HANDLING THE MANUSCRIPTS

In the end of the manuscripts, the writer writes some advice for the readers. He requests the readers to handle the manuscript properly as with great difficulty the manuscript was written. They also used to write that they have done only true copy

^{1.} Bhartiya Jaina Śramana Sauskriti Ane Lekhankala. P. 48

of the manuscript from other manuscript without changing any word and if there is any mistake, they should not be blamed for the same.

अदृष्टदोपान्मतिविम्नमाद्वा, यदर्थहोनं लिखितं मयाऽत्र ।
तत् सर्वमार्यः परिशोधनीयं, कोपं न कुर्यात् खलु लेखकस्य ।।
यादृश पुस्तकं दृष्टं, तादृशं लिखितं मया, यदि गुद्धमशुद्धं वा मम दोपो न दीयते ।।
मग्नपृष्टिकटिग्रीवा, वक्तदृष्टिरधोमुखम् । कष्टेन लिखितं शास्त्र, यत्नेन परिपालयेत् ।।
वद्धमुष्टिकटिग्रीवा, मंददृष्टिरधोमुखम् । कष्टेन लिखितं शास्त्रं, यत्नेन परिपालयेत् ।।
लघ दीर्घ पदहोगा वंजगाहीगा लखागा हई, ग्रजागापगाइ मूदपगाह पंडत हई ते सूधकरी भगाज्यो ।।

MANAGEMENT OF THE GRANTHA BHANDĀRS

Granthas enjoy the same respect as Gods and they are respected as next to Tīrthankaras in the Jaina religion because what is written in the texts, originally came out from the mouth of the Tīrthankaras as such the Grantha Bhandārs are held in great esteem. Every one going to a temple has to visit the Grantha Bhandār also and to read some lines of a manuscript. Thus the Grantha Bhandārs have an important place in the society. The management of the Grantha Bhandārs is entrusted to such persons who are either the scholars or possess some knowledge about the manuscripts.

In ancient time, the management of the Śāstra Bhandārs was under the guidance of the monks and Sādhus. From 13th Century Bhattārkas became influencial and the Śāstra Bhandārs came under their control. In the beginning they were the great scholars so they themselves managed the Śāstra Bhandārs very efficiently. They had with them several persons who used to be experts in writing and copying out the old manuscripts. Wherever they used to go, they used to keep with them a number of manuscripts. They exercised great vigilance over manuscripts. Whenever it was found that particular leaves of the manuscript were damaged, then immediately new leaves were substituted for the damaged ones. Veshthans, wooden plates were also often replaced. Some time they used to sell the manuscript to the Śrāvakas for placing them in other Śāstra Bhandārs. In short we can say that the Bhattārakas and their pupils had full control over the management of the Śāstra Bhandārs.

But after the down fall of this institution the management of the Bhandārs came into hands of the House holders. Some of the Śrāvakas were great scholars in their time. There was remarkable progress in the number of manuscripts. But some time after the management vested into the hands of illiterates and persons of backward ideas, neither the Jainas used the manuscripts nor they allowed persons of other religion to do so. Some times the manuscripts remained in locked for years and were reduced to ashes.

Generally every Bhandar whether it is a big or small is managed or run on the lines of a library. Every manuscript is entered in a register which is called Granth Suci or catalogue of the manuscripts in which names of the manuscripts, authors and their language are quoted. The number of the register is also pasted on the Vesthanas of the manuscripts so that there may be no inconvenience in taking out the manuscripts from the Bhandars. Previously when there was no Almirah system, all the manuscripts were either placed in cloth bags or in wooden boxes. At present also the same system of cataloguing exists. I have seen several Grantha Bhandars where full account was maintained of Granthas i.e. how many have been issued to the Śrāvakas for reading and how many were returned by them and how many were kept in the Sastra Bhandars. This account was maintained daily. and address of the readers were written and receipt signatures taken in Bahīs. was a rule according to which a complete manuscript was not given to the readers but either half of it or a smaller part was issued. There were two advantages in this system. The first was that more than one person could read the manuscript and the second was that the book could not be completely lost.

Every year either on the day of Śruta Pancamī¹ or in the month of Bhādrapad all the manuscripts are taken out from the room and kept in the sun shine for some time so that there may be no danger to the manuscripts from worms and dampness.

In order to create some interest among the persons, the management some time arranges exhibitions in the temples on rhe religious days or at Śruta Pancamī. These functions are attended by the members of the community. On these occasions they show the importance of the manuscripts.

There used to be a section in every important library where the work of writing down or copying out the new manuscripts was done. From these places outsiders also got the manuscripts written for them. These copyists were like printing presses and they used to earn their livelihood by writing the manuscripts. Pen-holders, ink and other material of writing were either supplied by the temple or they used to manage for themselves.

In these libraries daily sermons are held. A scholar reads a religious work and others listen to him. This system of Śāstra Sabhā is still in vogue at several places. The Śāstra Sabhā of Jaipur and Agra ever remained famous. In these conferences the importance of the writing down of the manuscripts is also imparted to the listeners. In the noon speeches are held. In Agra at the time of Banārsi Dāsa

^{1.} It comes always on the 5th day of bright Jestha month.

(17th Century) there was a very good association, where the learned and old persons used to come and discuss with each other the principles of religion and other subjects. These persons used to request scholars to write new works of their choice in order to quench their thirst of learning.

Upto the 19th Century the management of the Grantha Bhandārs remained good, and great care was taken to save the manuscripts from destruction. But during the last one century due to the printing presses the care for manuscripts was less and less. When the readers could get printed books of the same author, they began to forget to read the manuscripts and as such the attention towards the safety of the manuscripts fall down. During the last 50 years the management of the Grantha Bhandārs turned from bad to worse and as such the condition of the Grantha Bhandārs at present is not good in the villages and towns.

HOW THE MANUSCRIPTS ARE PRESERVED

Manuscripts are handled with great care in the Sastra Bhandars by the management. There is a scientific process through which a manuscript is to be passed before it is placed in the Sastra Bhandars. Apart from the process there are strict instructions written at the end of the manuscript, that the manuscript was written with great difficulty so it should be preserved with great care. The manuscripts are rarely given to every one because it is stated that these books when passed on into other hands are seldom returned.

लेखिनी पुस्तकं रामा परहस्ते गता गता । कदाचित् पूनरायाता त्नण्टा मण्टा च चृम्बिता ।।

WOODEN BOARDS

Every manuscript is placed between two wooden boards of the size of the manuscript. These boards are prepared specially for them. There may be one or two holes in the Boards. One hole is made in the centre while two holes are on both the sides of the boards so that the string in which the manuscript is strung may also pass on and the manuscript may be tightened. Wooden boards are used specially for palm leaves manuscripts but when manuscripts written on papers came into use, paper boards began to be used as they were cheaper and also available easily in the market. Cloth was used to be wrapped on these boards. Most of the manuscripts were written on paper are under the card boards.

१. कष्टेन लिखितं शास्त्रं यत्नेन परिपालयेत ।

STRING TOGETHER

As already said that palm leaves manuscripts have either one hole in the centre or two holes on both the corners. In these holes silken or cotton string used to be passed on. This string used to serve a good help to the readers while reading the manuscripts. Moreover due to this string the leaves of the manuscript are not loosend and remained tight. Due to this string, i. e. Granthi, the manuscript began to be called Granthas and store houses of these manuscripts as GRANTHA BHANDĀRS. But the manuscripts written on paper are not strung together though the manuscripts written in 13th to 16th Century have some space left in the Centre and possess some sign but these manuscripts do not contain holes.

VEŞŢANA

After the manuscripts are strung together they are placed in Vestana which are made of cloth. The piece of cloth of the same length and breadth which used for wrapping the manuscripts is called Vestana. Generally one manuscript is kept in one Vestana. The Vestanas are prepared locally.

BOXES

These Vestanas and Vastas were placed in the wooden boxes so that they might remain safe, and rain wind or worms may not harm the manuscript.

UNDERGROUND ROOMS

At the times of invasion the manuscripts were placed in the underground rooms of the temples. In most of the temples such rooms called Bahrās, are found. Due to these underground rooms numberless manuscripts had been saved, but in some cases manuscripts once placed were never brought out again. The Bhandārs of Nāgaur, Āmer, Ajmer, Bharatpur, Kāmā, Bayānā, Baswā and Dausā were previously in the underground rooms of the temples and could be saved only because they were underground. These were constructed in such a way that from outward when they were closed by placing a stone slab on the door of the room it appeared as if there was no room. The gates of these underground rooms used to be very small but inner portion of these used to be quite large.

CHAPTER II GRANTHA BHANDARS IN INDIA



Early in the 8th Century Muslim invasion began and in 712 A. D. Muhammad-bin-Qāsim attacked Sindh and after defeating Dāhir, the king of Sindh, he carried on mass massacres. In the beginning temples were wantonly disecrated. The temple of the Sun at Multān was ravaged and its treasures were taken away by Muhammad-bin-Qāsim. After this Muhammad Ghaznī destroyed and plundered many temples that fell in the way of the Ghaznavide army. He destroyed all the property of the temples ruthlessly, broke the idols, damaged the artistic beauty of the temples and burnt the literary collections preserved in them. There was no safety at all and all round there was bloodshed, forced conversion to Muslim religion and burning of the manuscripts and other literary and artistic treasures.

MANUSCRIPT LIBRARIES DESTROYED BY MUSLIM INVASION:

According to the Muslims the Qurān contains the whole truth and it is the only book which should exist. If books written in various languages are in accordance with the Qurān, there is no necessity that they should survive because the Qurān embodies their contents and if they are against the Qurān they deserve to be destroyed. These were the views of the Khalifās and the General of Khalifā Umer who conquered Alexenderia in Egypt in 640 A. D. destroyed the famous Library thereafter havīng obtained ordered from Khalifā. There was a big collection of books in that library written in various languages but they were all burnt down.²

In India also the Muslim Invaders destroyed numerous temples along with the books which were collected in them. Mahmuda Ghaznī alone looted scores of temples and destroyed whatever was found in them. He conquered whole of Upper India and destroyed the religious, cultural and literary works ruthlessly. Thus old and valuable literary wealth of the Jainas was destroyed by the Muslim invaders.

WHY GRANTHA BHANDARS IN OUT OF WAY PLACES.

Due to this dangerous insecurity, system of establishing the Grantha Bhandars in out of way places was adopted so that there might be less danger of attack. The famous Jaina Bhandar of Jaisalmer was established only with the idea that in such a desert there were less chances of the attacks. Moreover in the temples underground rooms were constructed and at the time of attack all the manuscripts and other materials of artistic beauty used to be concealed in them. We find such rooms in most of the temples. In the temple of Sanganer, Amer, Nagaur,

^{1.} History of Muslim Rule by Iśwari Prasād p. 37

^{2.} History of India by Eliah page 415-16

Mozamābād, Ajmer, Jaisalmer, Fatehpur, Doonī, Mālpurā and several of others, there are still under ground rooms which are used for placing not only the manuscripts but the statues also. There was a big Bhandār in Āmer which was in the underground room and was broūght in the upper room of the temple only 30 years ago. The whole portion of the famous Bhandār of Jaisalmer was preserved underground. The valuable manuscripts written on palm leaves and paper were safely preserved in such places. There is still a belief among the people that a bigger Bhandāra still exists in the underground rooms at Jaisalmer. In some of the temples manuscripts are preserved in the upper portion of the temple and at the time of invasion they are placed in the underground rooms and the small gate of this repository is to be closed with plaster.

The system of placing the manuscripts in out of the way places also helped those who were desirous of quiet study and contemplation. As there was perfect peace and calmness and no chance of disturbances there, this system was adopted not only by the Jainas but also by the Budhās and Ajņtā, Ellora and Bāgha are the instances of such places.

ESTABLISHMENT OF THE GRANTHA BHANDARS.

The Grantha Bhandars were established through out India from North to South and East to West. There remained no city or town or even big village in which the Grantha Bhandars were not established, but due to the continuous attacks of the foreigners in the North and religious ill feelings in South between Jainas and Brāhmins several Grantha Bhandars were destroyed and reduced to ashes and rest of the Bhandars were shifted to big towns and cities. Out of the Bhandars founded by Kumārpāla and Vestupāla and other Jaina Miņisters, at present none exists, This is accounted for by the fact that Kumārpāla's¹ successor Ajaipāla was very hostile to Jainas and Jainism and he tried his best to destroy the Jaina literature. Moreover when the manuscripts were placed in the underground portion of the temples at the time of invasion or war, the manuscripts used to be kept there for a long time and as such thousands of the manuscripts were reduced to ashes due to oblivion. Some of the Grantha Bhandars were automatically finished for ever as the management neglected to take precaution for their preservation. The whole of the Māroṭha Bhandar (Rājasthān) decayed and became ashes due to the management².

^{1.} Descriptive catalogue of manuscripts in the Jaina Bhandar at Paṭan. p. 33

^{2.} Old manuscript list of Marotn Śāstra Bhandar preserved at Mahāvīra Bhawan, Jaipur.

But still the number of the Grantha Bhāndārs which had been saved from destruction is quite large. Most of them have not been seen so far by the scholars and therefore the work of their cataloguing is to be completed. In this respect the Bhandārs of Punjāb, Uttar Pradeśa, Bihar, Madrās, Hyderābād and Madhya Pradesh are still lying unseen by the scholars.

SVRVEY OF GRANTHA BHANDARS BY THE WESTERN SCHOLARS

In the year 1860 the Government of India gave their attention to the ancient Grantha Bhandārs situated throughout India. The research work of the Bhandārs and their cataloguing was begun and the Grantha Bhandārs of Pāṭan, Khambāt, Ahmedābād, Jaisalmer, Kāranjā etc. were seen by the great scholars such as Dr. Buhler, Peterson, Bhandārkar etc. The reports submitted by them covers the following period of their research.

WESTERN SCHOLARS

(i) Dr, Bhuler's report Part 1st covers the manuscript seen during the year 1870-71 and known as

collection of 1870-71

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|------|-----|------|-------------|
| -do- | 2nd | -do- | 1871-72 |
| -do- | 3rd | -do- | 1872-73 |
| -do- | 4th | -do- | 1873-74 |
| -do- | 5th | -do- | 1874-75 |
| -do- | 6th | -do- | 1875-76 |
| -do- | 7th | -do- | 1877-78 |
| -do- | 8th | -do- | 1879-1880. |

(ii) Dr. Peterson also thoroughly examined the Bhandars' and published his report in six volumes covering the period of research of the manuscript as follows:—

^{1.} The list of manuscripts in all these collections have been published in a catalogue of collections at Bombay Government Central Press, 1880.

The 1st report covers the period of the year 1882-83

| 2nd | -do- | -do- | 1883-84 |
|-----|------|------|---------|
| 3rd | -do- | -do- | 1884-86 |
| 4th | -đa- | -đo- | 1886-92 |
| 5th | -đo- | -do- | 1892-95 |
| 6th | _do_ | -do- | 1895–98 |

SURVEY WORK DONE BY INDIAN SCHOLARS:

Among the Indian Scholars Dr. R. G. Bhandarkar made an extensive tour in search of Samskrit manuscripts. His reports were also published in six parts covering the period from the year 1879 to 1891 as follows:—

No. 1 covers the manuscripts found in the year 1879-80

| 2 | -do- | -do | 1880-82 |
|---|---------------|---------------|---------|
| 3 | -do- | -d o - | 1882-83 |
| 4 | đo | -do | 1883-84 |
| 5 | -đ o - | -do- | 1884-87 |
| 6 | -do- | -do | 1887-91 |

Raibahādur Hīralal, after seeing the Bhandār of Madhya Pradesh and Berār published a report in which manuscripts of the Jaina Bhandārs of Kāranjā and others are mentioned.

Dr. H. D. Velankar also published Jinarātnakośa, an alphabetical Register of Jaina works and Authors Vol. I under Bhanḍārkar Oriental Research Institute, Poona This catalogue was published in the year 1944.

Dr. Banarsidas² and Kunte also visited the Jaina Bhandars of Punjab and prepared the catalogue of the manuscripts of these Bhandars. This was published by Royal University Library Lahore in 1939.

Catalogue of Samskrit & Prākrīt manuscripts in Central Province and Berar by Raibāhādur Hirālal B. A.

^{2.} Catalogue of manuscripts in the Punjab Jaina Bhandars by Banarsidas Jain, published by Punjab University Library Lahore in 1939.

Thus in the past several attempts were made to investigate these Bhandars and their catalogues have also been published. But as a matter of fact all the Bhandars situated throughout India are too numerous to be examined by a small band of scholars. A list of the Jaina Grantha Bhandars situated in the main cities of India other than those of Rājasthān is given in Appendix. I

But the Jaina Bhandars of Rajasthan where their number is quite large have not yet been surveyed by any scholar. No other province of India contains as many Bhandars as Rajasthan does. They have survived because they were under the protection of Rajput rulers and their territories were rarely invaded by the Muslims. Even when invasion took place the resistance was very stiff and the invaders did not generally succeed in committing acts of destruction. In the following pages the first attempt has been made in this direction to survey the Grantha Bhandars of Rajasthan.

IMPORTANT BHANDĀRS OF INDIA.

A short description of some of the important Bhandars which possess valuable collections of manuscripts is as follows:-

(i) ŚĀSTRA BHANDĀRS OF DELHI

Since its foundation Delhi remained capital of India. In the manuscripts written in the 14th and 15th Century, the city is called Yoginīpur and in this respect the manuscript of Pancāsti Kāya¹ is the first manuscript in which Delhi had been named as 'Yoginīpur'. It was copied in Delhi in Samwat 1329 i.e. 1272 A.D. when Gayāsuddīn Balbana was the emperor of India.

Inspite of constant changes in the kingdoms, Delhi remained the centre of learning and literature. In most of the Grantha Bhandārs of Rājasthān, there are some manuscripts which were copied at Delhi and placed in these Bhandārs. Most of the books of Apabhramśa were first copied in Delhi and then sent to other Bhandārs of India. The Jainas not only dominated in the Hindu period but in the Muslim rule also the city remained the centre of Jaina activity. In the time of Anangpāl Naṭṭal Sāh was his minister. On his request Śrīdhara² composed Parśwanātha Carita in Apabhramśa language in samwat 1189 (1132 A.D.).

^{1.} Rūjasthān ke Jain Śāstra Bhandaron kī Sūcī. Part II.

^{2.} Prasasti Sangrah of Amer Sästra Bhandar, Jaipur p. 129

Thakkar Pheru was the royal treasurer of Allāuddīn Khiljī. He was an expert in the test of jewellery ānd coins. He composed Yugapradhāna Caupai in samwat 1347 (1290 A.D.) and Ratna Parīkśā. Dravya Dhātūtpatti, Vāstusār Prakaraņa and Joiśasār in Samwat 1372 (1315 A.D.). In Samwat 1500 (1443 A.D.) Yaśah Kīrti completed his Harivńśa Purāṇa in Delhi, On the request of Sāhu Divara in the time of Jalāl Khān. In this way there were several authors who wrote and copied works in Delhi. The illustrated manuscript of Ādipurān which is at present in the Śāstra Bhanḍār of Jaina Terāpanthī Temple, Jaipur was copied in Delhi. In the 17th Century Bhagwatī Dāss was a great Hindi scholar who wrote more than 50 Hindi works in Delhi which have been recently discovered in Bhaṭṭarkiya Grantha Bhanḍār, Ajmer.

At present there are 8 manuscript libraries in the City. But out of these, the collection in the New Mandir Dharampurā is very large. The total number of the manuscripts collected in the temple is about two thousand. Most of the manuscripts are of the 16th to 19th century. The other manuscript libraries are in the Jain temple of Setha Kucā and in Jain Pancayatī Mandir. In these Bhandars the rare manuscripts of Samskrit, Prakrit, Apabhramśā and Hindi are in quite a good number. A very old work of Hindi i.e. Prādyumnā Carita² of V. S. 1411 (1354 A.D.) composed by the Sadhāru Kavi is in collection of the Naya Mandir Bhandar. The fully illustrated copy of the Ādipurāṇa composed by Puśpadanta Kavi in Apabhramśa is a very fine manuscript from the point of Indian art. These Bhandars are also very old. Delhi remained the seat of the scholars and learned Bhattārakās, so there are several manuscripts written by them also.

The Śāstra Bhandār of Nayā Mandir contains a good collection of the manuscripts. The total number of which is 1995. The collection was made between 15th to 19th century. Manuscripts of Dhavalā, Māhādhavalā and Jaidhavalā copied recently are also in the collection. The manuscript copy of Hindi translation of Rājvārtika written by Pannālāi of Sahāranpur is also in this Śāstra Bhandār. Just like Samskrit. manuscripts written in the Apabhramśa and Hindi are also in large number.

There are two manuscripts of Tattvārtha Sūtra and Daślaxana Jaymāla which are written in golden ink and look very beautiful. The Śāstra Bhanḍār is well arranged and preserved.

I. Manuscript Catalogues Obtained through Lala Panna Lal Jain Delhi,

Published by Sāhitya Śodha Vibhāg of Digamber Jain Atiśhaya Kśelra Śri Mahavīrjī
Jaipur.

(ii) JAINA GRANTH BHANDĀRS OF ĀGRĀ

Āgrā was founded towards the close of the 15th century by Bahlol Lodi, and his son Sikandar Lodi removed the seat of Government from Delhi to Āgrā. From Akbar to Aurangzeb, Āgrā was the capital of India and after the construction of Tājmahal it became one of the most well known cities in the world.

The Jainas predominated in the city from the very beginning. In the 17th and 18th centuries most of the Hindi scholars were born in this city. The famous Kavi Banārsīdās of 17th century lived here. He established a study circle there and began to discuss the questions on various topics. Śrī Bhagvatīdās of Delhi who was also a contemporary of Banārsīdās, wrote "Argalpurajinavandanā" in which he described fully the Jaina temples of Āgrā. He wrote this work in Samvat 1651 (1594 A.D.) when Shahjahan was the Emperor and has mentioned names of several persons who contributed towards the construction of the Jaina temples.

The other great scholars who flourished at Āgrā are Bhūdhar Dās, Bhaiyā Bhagwatī Dās, Dyānat Rai etc.

There are 28 Jain temples in the city. Out of them eight have collections of manuscripts and the most famous Sāstra Bhandār which was the seat of the Jain scholars is the Moti Katra Jain temple. The Sāstra Bhandār contains more than a thousand manuscripts written on paper. The manuscripts of this Bhandār are generally written in 16th to 19th centuries. Manuscripts written in 20th century are very few in number. This shows that the city was a literary centre from 16th to 19th century. But inspite of the importance of the Grantha Bhandārs, the manuscripts are not catalogued and systematically arranged. As such scholars are to face the geeat difficulty in searching out the manuscripts they want. Recently one Jain research institute has been established at Hari Parbat where arrangements are being made for the research on various subjects. Catalogues of various Bhandārs are under preparation.

(iii) GRANTH BHANDĀR OF SONIPAT

The Sastra Bhandar of Sonipat near Delhi is also an important one. There are 750 manuscripts in this collection. The manuscripts are partly in Samskrit and partly in Prakrit. There are some manuscripts in Hindi also. The following deserve a reference:—

- (1) Rai mall's Ādīpurāņ (17th century)
- (2) -do- Padampurāņ (17th century)

- (3) Sāmyaktva Kaumudī by Kisandās composed in the year 1722 A.D.
- (4) Harivansapurān by Laxmidās in Hindi composed in the year 1829 A.D.

(iv) AMAR GRANTHĀLAYA INDORE.

The Amar Granthālaya of Indore has a good number of manuscripts of which majority are in Samskrit and Hindi. Copies of Aristadhyāya of Prākrit, Gyān Deepikā of Hari Cāndra in Hindi and Jotisa Sār Sangrha by Ratan Bhānu in Samskrit are worth mentioning.

(v) ŚĀSTRA BHANDĀR OF KĀRANJĀ¹

There are more than 2000 manuscripts in the Sāsfra Bhandār of Kāranjā in-Akola district of Gujrat State. This is one of the best collections in the State and includes some rare works useful for scholars. All the three temples of this old city possess fine collections of old manuscripts, the Balātkāra collection being the biggest one. All the manuscripts are written on paper in Nāgarī script. The manuscripts are well preserved. The earliest of them is that of Upāskacāra of Samantabhadra with a commentary of Prabhācandra. It was copied in V.S. 1415 Sunday the bright fortnight of the month of Māgha corresponding to 6th June 1359. Another manuscript is of Pancāsti Kāya of Kunda-Kunda copied in Samvat 1468 (1411 A.D.) when Virammadeva was the king of Gopācāla (Gwalior). A few more manuscripts are dated in the same century and hence this Bhandār is more or less than 500 years old.

(vi) PĀŢAN BHANDĀRS²

Ever since its foundation, Pāṭan had been the centre of Jainism and under beneficient royal patronage afforded to it in the 11th, 12th and 13th centuries, the scholars attached to it devoted themselves for writing historical, philosophical, literary and other works. Although the works were continued in the 14th, 15th and 16th centuries and still later, the works composed in the 11th to 13th centuries are of greater historical interest than those composed later on. This literary activity resulted in the formation of great libraries for collecting and preserving old, contemporaneous and new compositions. Pāṭan was the centre of Jaina literature from 11th

^{1.} Catalogue of Samskrit & Prākrit manuscripts in Central provinces & Berar by Raibahadur Hiralal B.A.

^{2.} A descriptive catlogue of manuscripts in the Jaina Bhandars at Patan by C.D. Dalal, published by Oriental Institute, Baroda, 1937.

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century and under the reign of Ajayapāla who was the great hater of Jainas and Jainism, Minister Udayana and others at that time removed the manuscripts from than one Pātan to Jaisalmer and other unknown places².

Among the present collections in Pāṭan the first and the foremost is the famous palm leaf collection in Sanghavī Pādā. This collection belongs to Laghupo-sālika branch of the Tapāgaccha. The collection containing 413 manuscripts, most of them contain single work though there are many manuscripts which consist of more than one work.

The collection of the Sangha Vakatajī's Śeri, Fofalia Vādā is the largest one at Pāṭan. It contains 2686 paper manuscripts and 137 palm leaf manuscripts. Dr. Peterson has described 76 palm leaf manuscripts of this collection in his 5th Report.

There is a large collection of paper manuscripts in the Grantha Bhandar of Vadhi Pārswanātha temple. This Bhandar contains not only literary and old Jaina manuscripts but also good manuscripts of literary and philosophical works of the Brāhmins and Budhists.

The Grantha Bhandārs of Āgalaseri consists of 3035 paper and 22 palm leaf manuscripts and one cloth manuscript. The collection is specially rich for the sacred books of the Jainas and the commentaries thereon, some of which were copied at the expenses of a Jaina millionaire Canduśāh of Pāṭan in the beginning of the 16th century. There are also many manuscripts of Jain Rāsas in old Gujarātī.

The Bhandar of Bhabha Pada is the collection of Vimala a branch of the Tapagaccha. It has two collections one containing 528 and the other containing 1824 manuscripts.

The collection of the Sāgar's Upāśraya contains 1309 paper manuscripts most of which are of literary interest.

Besides the above collection there are several different collections which also have paper and palm leaf manuscripts. Out of these seven Bhanḍārs, Khartarwāsi Bhanḍār is most important. In this Bhanḍār dramas of Vātsayan, the minister of of Paramardideva of Kalinjar exists.

The earliest dated manuscript at Pātan was copied in 1062 A.D. There are about half a dozen undated manuscripts which were written earlier., the script of

^{1.} A c'escriptive catalogue of manuscripts in the Jaina Bhandars at Patan by C.D. Dalal, published by Oriental Institute, Baroda, 1937.

Damyanti and Cāndra Mahattara's Prakrit commentary Sitari and other manuscripts point out that they were written in the 10th century A.D. Among the places where the manuscripts were copied are Pāṭan Cambay, Dhalaki, Karṇavati, Dūngarpur, Vijaipur, Candrāvatī and Prahlādpura.

Besides the palm leaf and paper manuscripts, the Bhandar contains two manuscripts on cloth one of which written in Samwat 1418 (1361 A.D.) and consists of 62 leaves measuring 25" x 5". The manuscripts are well preserved and the letters are very clear.

(vii) JAINA SIDHĀNT BHAWAN ĀRRAH

The collection of the manuscripts in Jaina Sidhant Bhawan Ārrah is also good. The Bhawan was built some time back but the collection of the manuscripts was made from the Jaina temples and individual persons. There is a good number of the manuscripts which are on paper as will as on palm leaf. The Bhandar conststs of the following kinds of manuscripts:—

- (1) Manuscripts written in Kannar script.
- (2) Manuscripts of Samskrit, Prakrit and Hindī written in Nagari script.
- (3) Gutakas.

The manuscripts collected are of 18th, 19th and 20th century. The following manuscripts are worth mentioning.

- 1. VIDYĀNUVĀDĀNG:-composed by an unknown author. It deals with Pratiṣṭha and is written in Saṁskrit. It is a collection work based on the previous works of Vīrācārya, Pūjyapād, Jinasena, Guṇabhaḍra, Vasunandi, Indunandi and Āśādhar.
- 2. MADAN KĀMA RATNA—composed by Pūjyapād in Samskrit It is on Ayurveda.
- 3. NIDĀN MUKTĀWALI BY PŪJYAPĀD:-The manuscript is in Samskrit and deals with Ayurveda.
- 4. <u>ŚAŢ DARŚAN PRAMANA PRAMEYA-NU-PRAVEŚA:</u>—The manuscript is on philosophy and written in Samskrit by Śubhacandra.

^{1.} Catalogue edited by Sapārwadās Guptā, M.A. was published in the year 1919.

- 5. GITA VITARĀGA:-by Panditācārya cārūkīrti. It is also in Śamskrit written in praise of a Tīrthankara.
- 6. PRĀKRIT VYĀKARAN:—composed by Śrutasāgar. It is on grammer and written in Samskrit and Prākrīt.
- 7. TATTVĀRTHA VRITTĪ:-by Bhāskarnandī. It is a commentary on the famous book Tattwārtha Sūtra of Umā Swatī.

(viii) JAINA GYĀNA BHANDĀR LIMBIDĪ¹

Limbibī was a centre of Jaina Sthānkavasī Sect. The Sādhūs of that sect used to assemble there every year or any time in a year. These monks required books to be studied. Thus for the study of the monks, the manuscripts were collected. For this collection Setha Dāsā Devcanda took initiative and spent money in the collection and preservation of the manuscripts. The present collection of the manuscript was made in the year 1820 by Khartar Gacha Sādhū Ridhi Sāgarji and after that in the year 1878–83, Shri Vinod Vijayji belonging to Auncalgacha also helped in the collection of the manuscripts.

The collection contains manuscripts written on palm leaves as well as on paper. This collection is regarded as one of the biggest. The longest manuscript written on paper is Pravacana Sārodhār Saṭīka which is $17\frac{1}{4}$ "x $4\frac{3}{4}$ ". In the same way the palam leaf manuscript of Gyātā Dharam Kathāng is $33\frac{1}{2}$ "x $2\frac{1}{4}$ ". There are several manuscripts written in golden ink. Out of such manuscripts the Kalp Sūtra (illustrated) and Adhyātma Geeta are very good.

Among the illustrated manuscripts Jambū Dwīpa Pragyapti and Kalpasūtra deserve special mention. The total number of the manuscripts in this Bhandār is 3507. The manuscripts are in Prākrit, Samskrit and Gujrātī.

Most of the manuscripts were copied from 16th to 19th century.

(ix) JAINA GRANTHA BHANDĀR OF SŪRAT²

Sūrat is also one of the main centres of collection of the manuscripts. There are twelve Grantha Bhandars in the City which have 14,528 manuscripts in

^{1.} Catalogue of Jaina Bhandar. Limbīdī published by Āgamodaya Samītī Bombay in 1928.

^{2.} Süryapura Aneka Jaina Pustaka Bhandagar Darsika Suchi, published by Motichand Magan Bhai in 1938.

all. The names of the Grantha Bhandars and the number of the manuscripts contained in them are as follows:—

| | | Number of Manuscripts. |
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| (1) | Jainānand Pustakālaya | 3100 |
| (2) | Jinadatta Sūri Gyāna Bhandar | 1029 |
| (3) | Mohan Lāl's Gyāna Bhanḍār | 2704 |
| (4) | Śrī Hukma Muni's Gyana Bhandar | 711 |
| (5) | Seth Nemicand Milapcand Upasara | 891 |
| (6) | Śri Devacand Lalcand Jaina Librar | y 386 |
| (7) | Śrī Devasura Gaccha Sangraha | 1047 |
| (8) | Śrī Ansur Gaccha Sangraha | 1612 |
| (9) | Śrī Cintāmaņi Gyāna Bhandār | 170 |
| (10) | Śrī Simāndhar Swāmino Bhanḍār | 780 |
| (11) | Śrī Baura Cautta Gyana Bhanḍār | 338 |
| (12) | Vidyā Sālā | 825 |

All these Grantha Bhandars are in the different temples and Upasaras, though most of them are in the Gopipura locality. There are rich and rare manuscripts of Prakrit, Samskrit, Gujaratī and Marathī in them.

(x) PANNALAL SARWATI BHAWAN, BOMBAY

Śrī Pannālāl established a Grantha Bhandār in Bombay in the year 1923 and collected some old and rare manuscripts. The total number of the mannscripts collected so far is 960. The Bhandār has published a yearly Report in which the names of the manuscripts are also given

(xi) ŚĀNTINĀTHA ŚĀSTRA BHANDĀR, KHAMBĀT

The Santinātha Sāstra Bhanḍār of Khambāt¹ has very good collection of palm leaves manuscripts. The re-establishment of this Bhanḍār was made by

^{1.} Śrī Khambāt Śāntinātha Prācīna Taḍapatrīya Jaina Bhanḍār nu Sucīpatra prepared by Vinay Kumār Sūri and published by Mohānlāl Deepcand.

Śrī Vijay Vallabh Sūrī. He also took great interest in preparing the list of the manuscripts. Dr. Peterson also saw this Bhandar and prepared a list of the manuscripts in the year 1882-83. But after some time the collection was again in disorder and some rare manuscript were made incomplete and in torn condition. The Bhandar possesses so many manuscripts which are rare and still unpublished. Most of the manuscripts were written in 12th to 16th century.

SOUTH INDIAN BHANDARS

South Iudia always remained the centre of literature, not only of Samskrit but Tamil, Telgu, Kannar and Malyanilam also. From time of Bhadrabāhu, when he went to south with his 1200 disciples, South India also became the main land of Jainism. The rulers of Ganga, Rasṭrakūt, Caulukya, Vijaynagar etc. were the lovers of Jainism. They gave shelter to the learned persons and induced them to write or compose works on various subjects. Poets like Pump, Ranna, Nagcandra and Jamma of Kannar literature will be remembered for ever.

There are several Grantha Bhandars in the State of Madras, Andhra, Kerala and Mysore. The script of the mauuscripts is of Kannad, Tamil, Telgu and Malayalam and also Samskrit and Prākit. Some of the famous Bhandars are as follows:—

(xii) ŚĀSTRA BHANŅĀR JAINA MATHA MŪDBIDRI

Mūd Bidri is the ancient Jaina Tīrth in the South Kanāra of Madras State. The Matha was established in about 10th or 11th century. There is a good Grantha Bhandār. Now at present there are 2555 manuscripts written in Kannad and Samskrit, on the palm leaves.

Most of the manuscripts are of the 15th to 18th century. One of the peculiarities is that in the colophons of the manuscripts instead of Vikram era Sak Samvat was used. This shows that in South India Sak Samvat was more frequent and popular in the public than the Vikram era. The catalogue of the Grantha Bhandar has already been published from Bhārtīya Jnāna Pīṭha Kāshi.

(xiii) VĪRA BĀNI BILĀS JAINA SIDHĀNTA BHAWAN MŪD BIDRĪ²

This Bhawan was estaqlished in the year 1933. The founder of this Bhandar called Saraswati Bhūsana was Śrī Loka Nātha Śāstrī. The collection

Kannad Prāntīya Tādapatrīya Grantha Sūcī by Pandit K. B. Śāstrī published by Bhārtīya Jnāna Pīţha Kashī. 1948

^{2.} Ibid.

pertains to the founder himself and also the manuscripts donated by others. There is a very good collection of the manuscripts. The total number of the manuscripts is 958. All of them are on plam leaves.

(xiv) JAINA MATHA KĀRAKAL

Kārakal was the capital of the Bhairsa Rulers who were the followers of Jainism. The Matha was established in the year 1504 A.D. hence the Grantha Bhandar of this place also was established in that year. Jaina Matha Kārkal is the seat of the Bhattarakas. They are the owners of the Grantha Bhandar also. All the manuscripts are on palm leaves and their total number is 295.

(xv) ĀDINĀTHA GRANTHA BHANDĀR ALIYOOR.

Aliyoor is a place in the Kārakal Tehsil and nine miles destant from Mūda Bidrī. It was a very good city in the past, but now a days it is no more than a village. There is a Grantha Bhanḍār in the temple of Ādīnatha. All the manuscripts of the Bhanḍār are written on palm leaves. They are the common Granthas which are used in daily reading. Total number of the manuscripts is 125.

(xvi) SIDDHĀNTA BASTĪ MŪD BIDRĪ

As the owner of the Matha lives in temple hence it is called by the name of Guru Basti. The Grantha Bhanḍār of this temple is one of the most reputed Bhanḍārs in India because in this Bhanḍār the manuscripts of the Dhaval, Jai Dhaval and Mahā Dhaval are in the collection. These manuscripts are rare as they were not available in any of the Bhanḍārs of India before 30 years. Thousands of persons in every year visit this place and pay their homage to these manuscripts. Due to these manuscripts the name of the collection is called Siddhānta Bastī. The three manuscripts are the part of Digambara Jaina Āgama which are only available at present. The temple is also famous for having 32 valuable images of Gold, Silver, Nilam and other kinds of precious stones. Due to these shrins the temple is also centre of attraction for common Jaina people. The importance of the Bhanḍār is also due to the reason that all these manuscripts are on palm leaves and such a huge collection of palm-leaf manuscripts is not available generally at other places. Moreover there are about 124 manuscripts which are rare one and have not been published so far.

CHAPTER III GRANTHA BHANDĀRS IN RĀJASTHĀN

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Rajasthan remained a literary centre for many centuries. This State though divided into several small states, was never under the direct control of the Central Government of Delhi and so there were not many political changes and peace and order generally existed in this area. The Rulers of Rajasthan always regarded all the religions of their public equally. They never interfered in religious matters and the public was allowed to follow their own religions freely.

The Jainas were peace loving persons and were an influential community, Most of the states of Rājasthān and specially states of Jaipur, Jodhpur, Bikāner, Jaisalmer, Udaipur, Būndī, Dūngarpur, Alwar, Bharatpur and Kotāh were the main centres of the Jainas. For centuries persons of the Jaina community took prominent part in the State Administration. They reached the highest posts and got honour from the Rulers and due to this thousands Jaina temples were constructed throughout Rājasthān. The Jaina temples of Ābu, Jaisalmer, Jaipur, Sāngāner, Bharatpur, Bikāner, Sojat, Ranakpur, Mozamābād, Kāśoraipātan Kota, Būndī and several others remained the centres of Art and Architecture for a considerable period.

From the literary point of view also the Rajasthan remained always the centre. Rulers and the eduacated public in general took great interest in literature, New works were written and old ones copied. The collection of the Jaina Granth In Bhandars of Jaisalmer, Nagaur, Jaipur, Bikaner, Udaipur and Ajmer are unique and such big collections are not available in other parts of India. The earliest dated manuscripts written on palm leaves as well as on paper are preserved in the collection of the Grantha Bhandars of Rajasthan. Not only old manuscripts were collected but new works were also composed. The Grantha Bhandars of this State are so valuable that some of the mauuscripts are found only in the collection of these Bhandars. 80 percent of the Apabhramsa works are preserved in these Bhandars and specially at Jaipur, Amer, Nagaur and Ajmer Bhandars. Work on Rajasthan and other vernacular languages are found in such a great number that other Bhandars of India cannot be compared with them. More than half of the Hindi works which were composed by the Jaina authors were written by Rajasthani scholars and are preserved in these Bhandars.

Ajmer, Nāgaur, Āmer and Dūngarpur remained the main centres of Digambara Bhattārakas who were not only scholars but had great influence on the public of their time. So in these places we find good collection of the manuscripts. They used to travel in the interior of the small villages for the spread of the knowledge and moral teachings.

The Granth Bhandars are of various sizes. In Big Sastra Bhandars not only old manuscripts of religious texts are in the collection but manuscripts on secular subjects like literature, kāvya, Purāņa, astronomy, mathematics and medicine are also there in these Bhandars. Books on the subjects like stories or Kathas and dramas are in abundance. Works on social, political and economical life of the times are also available in them. In some of the Bhandars there are rare manuscripts though written by non-Jaina authors and not available in non-Jain collections. Vachāvata Vanśāvali by Cāraņa, Vaitāl Paccīsī by Hālu, Vilhana Carīta Caupai by Dulha are some of them, All the manuscript copies of Vīsal Deva Rāso have been found in the Jaina Sastra Bhandars. Most of the Bhandars which possess more than 500 manuscripts are the research Institutes for the students who are desirous of making research in various branches of learning such as Kāvya, Alankāra, Chanda, Jyotisa, Āyurveda, Mathematics and Politics, Economics, Music Singing and Dancing etc. There is a great wealth preserved in these institutions which were not easily accesseable to the scholars previously, but now these Bhandars can be seen easily and research material may be collected. It is a matter of great regret that neither the Jainas nor the non-Jaina scholars have tried to examine the literature collected in them and in the absence of research, several important works have not yet come to light.

These Grantha Bhandārs are manuscripts libraries where bonafide student can get books for study. In the past also they were more or less like modern libraries and reading rooms, The manuscripts placed in some of these Bhandārs were fully catalogued alphabetically and also subjectwise. The manuscripts were placed between wooden boards and held together by means of strings of cotton or silk. The manuscripts are then wrapped in pieces of cloth or silk and they are arranged in serial number. Thus they are arranged in a very scientific manner and due to adoption of scientific way of their preservation, manuscripts written as early as the 11th century are still preserved in these Grantha Bhandārs.

As already stated above these Grantha Bhandārs are situated in various cities, towns and villages. So it it is very difficult to state their definite number. Upto this time no sincere attempts were made to search out all these Bhandārs of Rājasthān. Except the Jaisalmer Bhandārs, no other Bhandārs were examined either by the foreigners or the by Indian Scholars. Among the foreigners, Bhuler and Peterson and among the Indians, Śridhar Bhandārkar, Hīrā Lāl, Hans Rāj Hansvijay and C. D. Dalāl were the main scholars who did this work, but all these scholars worked only in the Grantha Bhandārs of Jaisalmer. All the other Grantha Bhandārs of Rajasthan remained untouched and unseen by the scholars and the result of not visiting the Bhandārs was that a complete History of Indian literature such as of Samskrit, Prākrit, Apabhramśa, Hindī and Rājasthāni could not be placed

before the scholars and in this way the true position of Indian literature and specially of Jaina literature has remained unknown.

The Grantha Bhandars of Rajasthan have been divided divisionwise, which are as follows:—

- 1. Grantha Bhandars of Ajmer Division.
- 2. Grantha Bhandars of Bikaner Division.
- 3. Grantha Bhandars of Jodhpur Division.
- 4. Grantha Bhandars of Udaipur Division.
- 5. Grantha Bhandars of Kotah Division.

The Grantha Bhandars of Ajmer Division include the Bhandars of former Jaipur, Alwar, Bharatpur, Tonk states and Ajmer which has also been merged into Rajasthan from 1st November 1956.

The Grantha Bhandars of Bīkaner Division are limited to only former State of Bīkaner.

The Grnntha Bhandars of Jodhpur Division include the Bhandars of former Jodhpur and Jaisalmer states.

The Grantha Bhandars of Udaipur Division include the Bhandars of former states of Udaipur. Düngarpur, Bānswāra and Pratapgarh but at present there are no Grantha Bhandars in Bānswāra and Pratapgarh States, so Bhandars of Udaipur and Düngarpur only have been discussed.

And the last of all, the Grantha Bhandars of Kotah Division include the Bhandars of former States of Kotah, Bunda and Jhalawar.

GRANTHA BHANDĀRS OF AJMER DIVISION

Jaipur and Alwar were the princely states of Rājasthān, which were never at war with the Moghuls as the rulers of these states remained always loyal to Delhi Emperors. Peace and tranquility, therefore reigned generally in these states for a long time. Tonk as an independent state was created in 1818 A.D. The rulers of this state treated their Hindū and Muslim subjects alike. In Jaipur, the Hindūs and Jainas lived side by side for centuries and there was rarely a conflict on the question of

religion. They always followed the principle of co-existence and also of live and let live. In the farmer state of Jaipur the population of Jainas is good.

The Rulers of Āmer and Jaipur patronized the Jainas. There had been several Jaina Dewāns' among whom Mohandāsa Bhāvasā, Bimal Dāsa Chābrā, Rāmacandra Chābrā, Rāo Jagrām Pāndyā, Rāo Kripā Ram Pāndyā, Ratancanda Śah, Bālācanda Chābrā, Rāyacanda Chābrā, Sānghi Jhūthan Rāma, and Amarcanda Khindūkā were very famous and served the state with great loyalty and efficiency. Most of them constructed Jaina temples in the state and established Grantha Bhandārs in them. In appreciation of their remarkable services, the rulers of the state gave full protection to the temples as well the Grantha Bhandārs. Mohan Dās (17th century) constructed a temple in Āmer whis is called Sanghi Jaina temple. He was Dewān of Mirza Rājā Jai Singh I, (1621 to 1667). Rām candra became Dewān after Mohan Dāsa in Samwat 1747 (1690 A.D.) and remained on this post upto 1776 (1719 A.D.) and he constructed Jaina temples in Sāhīwaḍ (Jaipur), Ujjain and Jaisinghpurā (Delhi). He was a very influential Dewān of his time², He died in the battle of Lalsot where a memorial built by the Government in his memory still exists.

Rao Krīpā Rām Paṇdyā² served as Dewan from 1780 to 1804 (1723 to 1747 A.D.). He constructed several Jaina temples in Āmer, Delhī, Lohāgarh, and Cāṭsu. He was also a devotee of the sum. Tradition was it that he constructed 120 Sun temples throughout India. The famous Sun temple of Galtā near the Jaipur City was also constructed by him.

The Jainas predominated in the administration of the Jaipur State for about 300 years. Inspite of Muslim Rule in the country there was no fear of fanaticism in the state and the Jainas were free to construct temples and establish the Grantha Bhanḍārs. It was only when Aurangzeb passed through the State in 1670 A.D. that some destruction was done. But it was a passing phase.

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^{1.} Vīra Vāni year One, Volume I.

रामचन्द विमलेण की ढूंढाहड की ढाल,
 वांका ने सूथा किया, सूथा ने किया निहाल ।
 मत कोई फलसा जुडो, मत कोई जुडो किवाड,
 येह रामचन्द विमनेण की ढूंढाहड की ढाल ।
 घर राखरा घरा राखरा प्रजा राखरा पारा,
 ज्यसिंह कहै छै रामचन्द तू सांचो छे दीवारा ।।

There more than 50 Bhandars in the area of Jaipur, Tonk, Alwar and Bharatpur. Those in the Jaipur State are very important e.g., Mālpurā, Todārāisingh, Mozmābād, Dausā, Āmer, Sāngāner, Cātsu, Baswā etc.

But at present there are no Bhandars in Amer, Sanganer and Catsu as they were shifted to the Jaipur City long ago.

We shall now give a short description of Grantha Bhandars of this area.

GRANTHA BHANDARS OF JAIPUR CITY

Jaipur City was founded by Rājā Sawāi Jaisingh in Samvat 1784, (1727 A.D.) and the capital was shifted here from Āmer, six miles from Jaipur. The Mahārājā made it a centre of literature and Art. He established a Pothī Khānā which contains the valuable manuscripts on several subjects brought from several places of India. Māhārājā Pratāp Singh was himself a scholar who wrote several works. He wrote 'SANGEET SĀRA' of which a manuscript is preserved in the Grantha Bhandār of the Jaina temple of Terāpanthis Jaipur,

When the Jainas shifted from Amer, Sanganer and other places they broght with them the manuscripts from these places and placed them in the various temples of Jaipur.

In the last two centuries there were several scholars who contributed to literature greatly. Some of the most prominent scholars were Daulat Rām Kāslīwāl (18th Century), Todar Mal (18th Century), Gumānī Rāma (18th and 19th Century) Ţek Cand (18th Century), Deep Cand Kāslīwāl (18th Century), Jai Cand Chābrā (19th Century), Dalu Rām (19th Century), Mannā Lal Pāṭnī (19th Century), Kesari Singh (19th Century), Nemi Canda Pāṭnī (19th Century), Nand Lāl Chābrā (19th Century), Swaroop Cand Bilālā (19th Century) Sadāsukh Kāsliwāl (19th Century) Baba Duli Cand Pāras Dās Negotiā (19th Century) Jait Rām (19th Century) Pannā Lal Chaudhary (19th Century). These scholars enriched the treasure of Hindī & Samskrit literature. They wrote original works and also translated into Hindi works of Samskrīt & Prākrit in order to propogate the reading of Hindi. They also established new Bhandārs. At present there are 20 Grantha Bhandārs in the Jaipur City which possess more than 15 thousands manuscripts.

Apart from these scholars there had been several copyists who used to copy out the manuscripts on the request of the śrāvakas, countless manuscripts were copied in this City and they were placed not only in the City libraries butin several maunscript libraries of Rājasthān and outside Rājasthān. Thus the Jaipur city was a radiating centre of literary activities in the past.

(1) ĀMER ŚĀSTRA BHANŅĀR

Āmer Śāstra Bhanḍār was situated previously in the Digamber jain temple of Nemināth of Āmer City, the old capital of the former Jaipur State and which is six miles from the Jaipur City. This whole collection has been shifted to Jaipur some time back and has been placed at Mahāvīrā Bhawan. Previously, this Śāstra Bhanḍar was known by the name of Bhaṭṭārak Davendra Kīrtī Śāstra Bhanḍār who was the learned as well as most influential Bhaṭṭārak of his time (18th Century). There are 25 manuscripts in this Bhanḍār which were presented to him from time to time by the House holders. He took great interest in enriching the collection. The City of Āmer remained a centre of Bhaṭṭārakas for sufficient time.

Āmer Śāstra Bhanḍār is one of the oldest Bhanḍārs in Rājasthān. It was established earlier than the 17th Century but after some time it bacame famous by the name of Devandra Kīrtī Śāstra Bhanḍār though now it is called by the name of Āmer Śāstra Bhanḍār.

Before thirty years, manuscripts of this Bhandar were not accessable to everyone. The Śāstra Bhandār was used to be opened once a year at the time of Śruta Pancami which comes in the month of Jestha and afterwards used to rsmain closed for whole of the year. There are 2605 manuscripts and 150 Gutkas in this collection, Earliest manuscript is of UTTARAPURĀNA written by Mahākavi Puspadanta in Apabhramsa language. This manuscript is dated 1334 A. D. which was copied in Joginipur (Delhi) under the rule of Muhammad Tughluq. Manuscripts copied in 15th, 16th and 17th centuries are in good number. The collection of old manuscripts show that this Bhandar was the centre of literary activities in old days. The manuscripts are in Samskrit Prākrit. Apabhramsa Hindī and Rājasthānī languages. The Sāstra Bhandar is a great store house for Apabhramsa literature as about 50 works of this language are available here. Works written by Kavi Swayambhū, the first author of the Apabhramsa and Amer Sen Carita composed by Mānikkarāj considered to be latest scholar are in the collection of this Bhandar. There are several rare manuscripts like Sakalvidhi-nidhan of Nayanandi (11th Century) and Paraswapurān of Padamkīrti (10th Century). Such works are not available in other Bhandārs.

The Sāstra Bhandār also contains quite a number of valuāble manuscripts in Samskrit & Hindī. A Samskrit commentary on Kirātārjunīya written by Prakāsa Vaisa is a rare manuscript which is not available in other manuscript libraries. Though the Bhandār preserves manuscripts on Jainism but the texts on secular subjects like Āyurveda, Jyotisa. Vyākaraṇa, Mantrā Sāstra, etc. are also in good number. Manuscripts of the Samskrit Kāvyas written by Kālidās, Bhārvi and Māgha are included in the collection of the Bhandār. As regards Hindi and Rājasthāni literature,

there is a good number of books written by the various old Hindi writers. Manuscripts of the works written by Bhaṭṭārak Sakal Kīrti (15th Century) Brahmajinadās (15th Century) Voocarāja (16th Century), Chihal (16th Century), Banārsīdās (17th Century) Bhūdhardas (18th Century) and non-Jaina scholars like Bihārī (16th Century), Kešāva, Vrinda etc. form part of collection of the Bhanḍār,

The Śāstra Bhandār at present exists in Mahāvīrā Bhawan situated in Caurā Rāstā where a Jaina Research Institute is also working. The catalogue of this bhandār has been published.

(2) ŚĀSTRA BHANDĀR OF BADA MANDIRA, JAIPUR.

HISTORY OF THE GRANTHA BHANDAR

This Sastra Bhandar is situated in the Digambar Jaina Terapantha Temple at Gheewalon ka Rasta. This is a Pancayata temple and is one of the four such temples of the City. The temple was constructed about two hundred years ago by the Jainas who migrated from Sanganer and Amer, This Bhandar also came into its present shape at that time but as a matter of fact the manuscripts which are in the collection of the library were originally in the Jaina Bhandars of Amer and Sanganer and when the Jainas of those places shifted to this new city, the manuscripts were also brought from them and placed in this Bhandar.

There are two Grantha Bhandars in this temple. One is called by the name of Saraswati Bhawan Badā Mandir and the other is called Bābā Dūlī Cand's Śāstra Bhandār. First of all we shall deal with the collection of Bada Mandir. This Grantha Bhandār is one of the biggest Śāstra Bhandārs of the city, which has 2630 manuscripts. This collection includes 324 Gutkās also. All the manuscripts are on paper.

PAŢRONS OF THE ŚĀSŢRA BHANŅĀR

A number of Jain scholars like Todar Malla (18th Century), Jai candra Chābrā (19th Century) and Sadāsukha Kasliwāl (19th Century), Mannālāl Khindūkā (19th Century) etc. took great interest in the development of this Bhandār and even works written in their own hands are also available here.

^{1.} Rājāsthān ke Śāstra Bhandāron ki Granth Suchi Part I published by Srī Digamber Jain Atisaya Ksetra Śrī Mahavīrji 1948.

EARLIEST AMD LATEST MANUSCRIPT.

The manuscript of Pancāsti Kāya, a famous work of Ācārya Kunda Kunda written in Prākrit is the earliest one. This was copied in Vikram Samvat 1329 i.e. in 1272 A.D. This was written in Delhi which was called Yoginipur at that time. The copyist of this manuscript and Uttarpurāņa, the earliest manuscript in Āmer Śāstra Bhandār was one and the same. The latest manuscript is 'Dharmopdeśa Ratnamālā' of Dulī Canda written in Samwat 1964 (1907 A.D.) by the writer himself,

This shows that upto 50 years back there was a continuous effort of copying and placing the manuscripts in the Grantha Bhandar.

CENTRE OF SCHOLARS.

There is a very good collection of the manuscripts written in oriental as well as in Hindi and Rājasthānī languages. This collection pertains to books written by Jaina and non-Jaina authors. Works written by Jaina authors deal with various subjects pertaining to religion such as Sidhānta, Pūjā. Pratisthā and Vidhān and secular subjects like Purāņa, Kāvya. Kathā, short Kāvya called carita, Philosophy, and scientific subjects like grammer, Prosody, Laxicography, Jyotisa, and Ayurveda. Works written by non-Jaina authors pertain mainly to Kāvya, Grammer, Āyurveda Jyotiśa and sexualogy etc. There are 13 manuscripts of Raghuvanśa, Kāvya written by Kavi Kalidāsa and two samskrit commentaries on Kirātārjunīya of Bhārvi. Besides this there is a good collection of Hindi works written by Gorakhanāth and his followers, Kabīrdāsa, Bihāri, Keśava, Vrinda and several of others. Books written in Apabhramsa are in abundance. Literature of Swayambhū (9th Century), Puspadanta (10th Century) Vīra (11th Century) Nayanandi & Raidhu etc. are also in the collection. There are two samskrit commentaries on Jambu Swāmi Cariya and Pauma Cariya which are not available in other Bhandars. There is one manuscript of Adipurana of Puspadanta which is profusely illustrated and only one manuscript of its kind throughout India. This illustrated manuscript was copied in Vikram Samwat 1597 (1540 A.D.) in Delhi, The manuscript has 558 coloured pictures fully based on the text. The Harivansa purana of Dhaval, a famous scholar of 10th Century is also available in this Bhandar. This manuscript has not been found so far in any other Bhandar of Rajasthan. There is a rich collection of Hindi works also. Cauvīsī Gīta, a Hindi work composed in Samwat 1371 (1314 A.D.) by Kavi Delha has been discovered in this Sastra Bhandar.

We may mention here that the collection of the Gutakas of this Bhandar is also of great importance. Some small works of Samskrit and Hindi find a good

place in them. The Gutakās were the note books of the literary persons who used to note the important passages or small works of interest in them. A list of this Sāstra Bhandār has been published duly edited by the writer himself in the year 1954.

(3) GRANTHA BHANDĀR OF PĀNDYA LŪŅKARAŅ—

HISTORY OF THE GRANTHA BHANDAR.

The Grantha Bhandar was established by Pāndyā Lūnakaran in the temple which is famous after his name. Pāndyā is a class of monks who live in the outer part of a temple. Pāndyā Lūnkaran was also a monk of such type. The temple was built under his supervision and remained the centre of his literary activities, so both the temple and Grantha Bhandar began to be called after his name. Though there is no exact date regarding the establishment of the Grantha Bhandar but there is one manuscript of Yaśodhar Caritra, which was copied for Pāndyā Lūnkāran in Samwat 1788 (1731 A.D.). It is also mentioned there that he was the pupil of Pandit Khīvsiji who was the pupil of Bhaṭṭārakā Jagat Kīrtī.² From this reference it appears that Lūnkaran established permanently in Jaipur after the year 1731 A.D. and constructed the temple and placed the manuscripts which were with him.

PATRONS OF THE BHANDAR

Pāndyā Lūņkaran was the main founder and patron of the Śāstra Bhandār. Most of the manuscripts preserved here were collected by him. He was a very learned man and was expert in the subjects like Āyurveda, Jyotiśa and Mantra Śāstra. He devoted his full life either in studying the literature or in collecting the manuscripts for the library. There are 807 manuscripts and 225 Gutakās in the collection of the Bhandār and it is certain that most of them were collected by him in his life time. A collection of such a good store of knowledge shows that he

^{1.} Rājasthān ke Jaina Śāstra Bhāndāron kī Grantha Sūcī, part II.

had a great desire in his heart to serve the Indian literature in general and Jaina literature in particular. There is a good collection of Samskrit, Hindī and Prākrit works. The earliest manuscript of this Bhandār is the manuscript of Parmātma Prakāśa wrītten in Samwat 1407 (1350 A.D.) and the latest manuscript was written in Samwat 1955 which is Namokāra Mantra Kathā. There is a manuscript of Yaśodhar Caritra of Sakal Kīrti, which is fully illustrated. The manuscript contains coloured illustrations completely based on the story. Except this, all the manuscripts which have coloured illustrations are related to the Mantra Śāstra.

SUBJECTS DEALT WITH

Manuscripts which are in the Śāstra Bhandār relate both to religious and secular subjects. But the main subjects on which the manuscripts are available are Jyotiśa, Āyurveda and Mantra Śāstra. Manuscripts of Mādhav-Nidhān, Yoga Cintāmaṇi, Vaidy-Mānotsava, Bhairava Padmāvatī Kalpa, and Vidyānuvāda are also there.

The Bhandār is quite systematic. The Granthas have been placed in serial number. They are placed in stone almirahs having glass shutters. The catalogue of this Bhandār has already been published duly edited by the author himself.¹

(4) ŚĀSTRA BHANŅĀR OF BĀBĀ DŪLĪCANDA

The Śāstra Bhanḍār of Bābā Dūlīcand is situated in Jaina Digambar temple of Terāpanthī which is also called Baḍā Mandir. This Grantha Bhanḍār was established by Śri Dūlīcand in the year 1854 A.D, He was a great Hindi lover of his time. He was not a Jaipurian but belonged to Poona District of Mahārāsṭra state. He came to Jaipur with the manuscripts and established the Śāstra Bhanḍār which became famous after his name. He died in the year 1871 A.D. at Āgrā.

There are 850 manuscripts in this Śāstra Bhandār which were collected by him alone by travelling throughout India. Some of the manuscripts were either got written by Dūlīcand or were presented to him by the Jaina Śrāvakas and the rest were collected by him from various places. He led a life of Jaina Sādhu and travelled thrice throughout India. He also wrote a description about his travel in Jaina Yātrā Darpaṇa, a manuscript which is available in the Bhandār. He was a good scholar of Hindi and Saṃskrit and translated about 15 works in Hindi. All of these works are preserved in the Bhandār.

^{1.} Rājāsthān ke Jainā Śāstra Bhandāron kī Granth Sūcī Part II year 1954.

The manuscripts in the Sastra Bhandar are mainly in two languages i.e. Samskrit and Hinda. Hinda manuscripts are the translations of Samskrit texts. The subjects dealtwith in the manuscripts are mainly religious, Purana, Katha and Caritra etc.

(5) ŚĀSTRA BHANDĀR OF JAINA TEMPLE BĀDHICAND

This Śāstra Bhandār is situated in the Jaina temple Badhī Canda which is a famous Jaina temple of the city. It is situated at Gheewālon kā Rāstā, Johari Bāzār. The temple was constructed by Srī Badhī Canda who was Dewān of Jaipur state for some time. The Śāstra Bhandār was established in Samwat 1795 (1738 A.D.) on the completion of the temple.

PATRONS OF THE SASTRA BHANDAR

The Śāstra Bhandār of this temple was greatly patronized by Pandit Todaramal and his son Gumāni Rām (18th Century), It remained the main centre of their literary activities. Pandit Todarmal and Gumāni Rāma used to write new works in this temple. Original manuscripts of Mokśamārga prakāśa, Ātmānuśāsan, and Puruṣārtha Sidhyupāya written by Pandit Todar Mal are in the collection of the Bhandār. Gumāni Rāma also worked for the growth of the Śāstra Bhandār and for some time it was called after his name.

There are 1278 manuscripts in it. This number includes the Gutakās also which are 162. Manuscripts are mainly in four languages i.e. Prākrit, Samskrit, Apabhramśa, and Hindī. All the manuscripts are written on paper and there is no palmleaf manuscript in the collection.

The main subjects on which the manuscripts are available are Jaina religion, Adhyātma, Purāna, Kāvya, short stories and miscellaneous works. The works written by non-Jaina authors are not in good number but some famous works of Kalidāsa, Anubhūti Swārūpācārya, Kabīrdāsa, Keśavadāsa are in the collection,

The earliest manuscript available in the Grantha Bhandār is a commentary on Vaddhmāna Kāvya written in Samwat 1481 (1424 A.D.) on the 10th bright day of Āsoja month. This is a Samskrit commentary on the Apabhramśa work. Vāddhmān Kāvya was written by Jayamitra Hala in 13th Century. The latest manuscript was written in Samwat 1987 (1930 A.D.) which is called Adhāidwīpa Pūjā. Thus there are manuscripts written during the last 500 years.

The collection of Hindī and Apabhramśa works is in good number. Some of them are still unpublished and others are rare one. The manuscript of Harivanśa

Purāṇa an Apabhraṁśa work of Mahākavi Swayambhū, is in the collection of this Bhanḍār. This is a rare manuscript and only three or four copies are available throughout India. The commentary of Vāddhmāṇa Kāvya in Saṁskrit is also a rare one. Manuscript of Pradyumna Carita, a Hindi work composed in 1354 A.D. is also a rare one. This is a very good work written by Sadharu in Hindi. Guṭakās of this Bhanḍār possess several small works of Hindī scholars. The works of Jaina poets like Sakal Kīrtī (15th Century) Chīhal (16th Century), Hansrāja (17th Cenutury) Ṭhakursi (16th Century) Jinaḍāsa (17th Century), Pūno (16th Century) Banarsī Dāsa (17th Century) etc. are available in these Gutakās. The collection of works of Ajayarāja pātnī about 20 in number have been traced out in the Śāstra Bhanḍār. He was a scholar of 18th Century.

(6) GRANTHA BHANDĀR OF THOLIYĀ JAINA TEMPLE

Digambar Jaina Țholiā temple is situated in the Ghee wālon kā Rāstā near the temple of Badhi Canda. The temple was constructed by a Tholiyā family in the 18th Century. It is also one of the famous and beautiful temples of the City.

There is a Śāstra Bhanḍār which was started after the completion of the temple. Now it is housed in a newly constructed room. The manuscripts were brought from Sāṅgāner and Āmer and some of them were written and copieḍ here also. The work of writing new manuscripts slowed down from Saṁwat 1900 (1843 A.D.).

There are 658 manuscripts and 125 Gutakās in the Śāstra Bhanḍār. Though the number of the manuscripts is not great but from the point of material, it is a remarkable Bhanḍār.

The earliest manuscript which is available in the collection is a commentary of Dravya Sangraha by Brahma Deva. This mannscript was copied in Samwat 1416 (1359 A.D.), Bhādwā Sudī 13 at Yoginīpur. The writer of this manuscript has also mentioned the Emperor's name as Feroz Sāh. The latest manuscript named Bīsa Tīrthankara Pūjā was written in Samwat 1654 (1897 A.D.) Sāvan Budī Saptmi. This was copied in Ajmer by Srī Pannā Lāla himself. Most of the manuscripts available in the Grantha Bhanḍār are of 16th, 17th and 18th centuries. The manuscripts are more on literary subjects. The collection of Guṭakās is also good. Several small works of Subha Candra (16th Century), Hemarāja (17th Century), Raghunātha (17th Century),

^{1.} Rājasthān ke Jain Śāstra Bhandaron kī Grantha Sūcī, Part III.

Brahma Jinadāsa (15th Century) Brahma Gyāna Sāgar (17th Century), Padmanābha (16th Century) etc. are in these Gutakās. As regards the non-Jaina works, the Dohās of Dādu Dayāl, Iśka Cimana of Nāgarīdāsa, Daṣtūra Mālikā of Banśīdhara, Gyāna Bheda, Gyānasāra, Nitya Vīhāra, and Prasaṅgasāra of Raghunātha are important works.

All the manuscripts are written on paper. There is one manuscript namely Pūjā Sangraha in which coloured pictures of Mandals of Pūja are given.

The Śāstra Bhandār is completely systematic. One manuscript has been kept in one Vesthana and therefore manuscripts can be traced out easily. The catalogue of this Bhandār is already published by Digambar Jain Atiśaya Kśetra Śrī Māhāvīrji.

(7) GRANTHA BHANDĀR OF JAINA TEMPLE PĀŢODĪ.

Grantha Bhandār of Jaina temple Pāţodī is the next biggest collection of the Jaipur City. It is situaţed in the Jaina temple of Pāţodī, which exists in Caukarī Modī-Khānā. The temple remained the seat of Bhattārakas from the year 1758 A.D. The installation ceremony of the four Bhattārakas namely Kśemendra Kīrtī (1758), Surendra Kīrti (1765) Sukhendra Kīrti (1795) and Nāyan Kirti (1822) was performed here. This temple had a direct connection with these Jaina monks for about hundred years. The manuscripts of were brought here by them and afterwords this Bhandār was established in about 1737 A.D.

The Śāstra Bhandār maintained the literaries activities for a century. These Bhattārakas were the main patrons of the Bhandārs. There was good arrangement of copying the manuscripts and several scholars who had good hand-writing were employed by these Bhattārakas and manuscripts were got written on the request of the Śrāvakas. When the influence of these Bhattārakas ceased the Grantha Bhandār came in the possession of the Śrāvakas. But as it appears from the collection of the manuscripts that the persons did not take interest in obtaining new manuscripts as such the number of these manuscripts did not increase rapidly. Moreover due to mis-management some manuscripts were reduced to ashes and works of the high standard and poetic beauty were allowed to decay.

^{1.} Rājasthān ke Jaina Śāstra Bhandāron kī Grantha Sūcī Part III.

NUMBER OF THE MANUSCRIPTS

The total number of the manuscripts and the Gutkās in the Bhandār is 2257 and 308 respectively. Out of these manuscripts more than 450 manuscripts relate purely to Vedic literature. All the manuscripts are on paper except the two, Bhaktāmar Stotra, and Tatwārtha Sūtra, which are on palm leaves. There are some maps of Jambū Dwīpa, Aḍhāi Dwīpa and of some Yantras which are on cloth. Some maps are fully illustrated.

EARLIEST & LATEST MANUSCRIPTS.

The earliest manuscript available in the Bhandar is Jasahara Cariya of Puspadanta, an Apabhramsa work of 10th Century. This manuscript was copied in 1407 (1350 A.D.) in the fort of Candrapur. The latest manuscript of Padmanandapancavinsata was copied in Samwat 1950 (1893 A.D.). This shows that there are manuscripts written from the year 1350 to 1893 A.D. Most of the manuscripts were written in the 15th, to 18th centuries. A few of these were written in the 19th century.

SUBJECTS DEAL WITH

The manuscripts in the Śāstra Bhandār deal with a variety of subjects like Puraṇa, Carita, Kāvya, Grammer and various aspects of Jaina religion. The languages used are Prākrit, Apabhraṁśa, Saṁskrit, Hindī, and Rājasthānī. Pūjā and stotra works form a substantial part of the collection. There are more than 450 small manuscripts, the matter of which have been taken from Saṁhitās, Bhāgwat Mahāpurāṇa and other purāṇs. Apart from these there are good Hindī works written by Jaina as well as non-jaina authors. The following are the further main features of the Śāstra Bhandār.

- (1) There is a good collection of Samskrit works on Ayurveda & Jyotisa.
- (2) The collection of Gutakās containing small texts is also remarkable. Among rare works of Hindi, one is JINADUTTA CARITA, a work of 1297 A.D. This was composed by Kavi Ralha. This is perhaps one of the earliest manuscript of Hindi ever found in a Digambar Jain Sāstra Bhandār,

The condition of the Grantha Bhandār is satisfactory. All the manuscripts are placed in serial number and therefore manuscript may be taken out without any difficulty. The complete catalogue of the Bhandār has recently been prepared and published.

^{1.} Rajasthan ke Sastra Bhandaron ki Grantha Süci Part IV

(8) ŚRĪ CANDRA PRABHA SARASWATĪ BHANŅĀR.

The Candra Prabha Saraswatī Bhandār is situated in the Jain temple of Dewān Amarcand., who remained a prominent Dewān of the former State of Jaipur in the 19th century for a long period. His father named Śivjīlāl was also Dewān of the state in the time of Māhārājā Jagat Singh. He constructed a Jaina temple. The temple which was constructed by Shivjilāl is called temple of Bādā Dewānji, while the one which was built by his son Amarcanda is called temple of Choṭā Dewānji. This temple is situated in the Lālji Sānḍ kā Rāstā, Caukrī Modi Khānā. The temple relates to Terāpanthī Sect. There are 830 manuscripts in the Śāstra Bhanḍār, of which about 350 are incomplete. This is due to the mismanagement of the authorities who gave the manuscripts to the readers and never demanded them back. There is a good collection of Saṃskrit works, and specially of Pūjā and Purāṇā literature. The whole manuscripts may be divided as under:—

Samskrit-418, Apabhramsa-4, Hindī-311, Prākrit-68 and the important subjects on which the manuscripts are available are as follows:—

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PATRONS OF THE BHANDAR.

The Śāstra Bhandār was established at the time of the construction of the temple. Dewān Amarcand took a great interest in the collection of the manuscripts. His contemporary scholars of Jaina literature were Rājamala, Nawal Rāma, Gumānī Rām, Jaicandra Chābrā, Dālu Rām, Mannā Lāl Khindūkā and Swaroop Cand Bilā!ā and with the help of these scholars he managed to collect a good number of manuscripts. Kśatra Cudāmaņi (1834) Gomattasāra (1828) Pancatantra (1830) and Pratimāsānta Caturdaśī Vratodyāpana (1820) were got copied by him and placed in the Grantha Bhandār. Kārtikeyānuprekśā is the earliest written manuscript while

^{1.} Rājasthān ke Jaīna Śāstra Bhandaron ki Grantha Sūcī Part IV.

Dhanya Kumār Caritra is the latest one, These were copied in the year 1563 and 1937 A.D. respectively. Most of the manuscripts in the Bhandar belong to the 18th, 19th and 20th centuries.

(9) ŚĀSTRA BHANDĀR OF JOBNER TEMPLE

The Śāstra Bhanḍār is situated in the temple of Jobner in Khejarān kā Rāstā, Chāndpole Bāzār, Jaipur City. The temple remained a seat of Jaina monks for a long time and last Pānḍyā Bhaktāwara Lāl died recently about 12 years ago. The Śāstra Bhanḍār remained in their possession from the very beginning. This class of Pānḍyās were interested generally in Āyurveda, Jyotiśa and Mantra Śāstra and the collection of the manuscripts pertaining to these subjects were given preference to other literature.

NUMBER OF MANUSCRIPTS.

The total number of the manuscripts in this Bhandar is 340. This number includes the number of the Guṭakās. The collection of Saṁskrit manuscripts are more than those of Hindī manuscripts. This shows that the Pāndyās were the scholars of Saṁskrit literature. Manuscripts are not very old being written in 17th to 19th Century. Some of the important manuscripts are as follows:—

- (1) Sabhāsāra Nāṭak of Raghurāj in Hindi. This describes the etiquette to be observed in the Royal Courts.
- (2) Anjanā Rāsa of Śānti Kuśal, composed in 1603 A.D. This describes the life of Anjanā, the mother of Hanumāna.
- (3) Behārī Satsai of Bihārīlāl. The manuscript was written in 1716 A.D. The peculiarity of this manuscript is that all the stanzas are written in alphabetical order.
- (4) Raghuvanśa Kāvya by Kālidāsa. The manuscript was copied in 1623 A.D.
- (5) Rukmani Vivāhlo by Prithavirāj Rāthora în Hindī. The manuscript is an incomplete one, but is a copy of the year 1662 A.D.

Besides these, there is a copy of Sangrahani Sutra of the 18th Century. There is a cloth embroidered with lead beads illustrating the 16 objects of dream seen by the mother of the Tirthankara. Besides this, there are nineteen beautiful

pictures. In the first picture, the patala of Swarga and Vimān have been depicted. In the second picture, the Universe has been compared with the Loka Puruṣa. There is a Nandiśwara Dwīpa in the third picture. In the fourth plate, there are pictures of Tīrthankaras. The seven graphas have been depicted in the fifth picture. In the sixth picture, the dreadful horrors of the hell have been shown. In the seventh plate, the army of India has been illustrated. In the 8th picture, there are eight different figures of the Yaksas. There are pictures of the Jambudwīpa, Lavaṇa Samudra, Indra Sabhā, birth ceremony celebrated by Indra, the condition of man at the time of intense thirst, hunger and separation and the Vimānas of the Heaven. In the last Ṣaṭa Leśyas have been compared with a mango tree. There are six complexions of the worldly soul as Kriśṇa, Nīla, Kapota, Pīta, Padma and Śukla. The Kriśṇa Leśyā, the worst complexion has been explained by failing down the whole mango tree for eating the mangoes while the Śukla Leśyā, the best complexion has been illustrated by eating only fallen mangoes of the tree.

(10) PĀRSWANĀTHA DIGAMBAR JAINA SARASWATĪ BHAWAN

Pārswanātha Digambara Jaina Saraswatī Bhawan is situated in the Pārswanātha Digambara Jaina Temple. It is very famous temple in the city and was constructed in Samwat 1805 (1748 A.D.) and in the same year the Saraswatī Bhawan was established, The Saraswatī Bhawan contains 558 manuscripts including the Gutakās. The collection contains manuscripts of 17th and 18th century in good number. The manuscripts of samskrit language are more numerous. The next come the Prākrit and Apabhramśa works. All the manuscripts are on paper. Manuscripts are mostly on the subject like Purāṇa, Kathā and religious topics. Nalodaya Kāvya composed by Māṇīkyasūrī is the earliest manuscript. It was copied in Samwat 1445 (1388 A.D.). The manuscript of Deśalakśana Pūjā copied in Samwat 1937 (1880 A.D.) is the latest one. There are three manuscripts which are worth mentioning:-

- (1) PRATĪSṬHĀPĀṬHA:—It is a Samskrit work composed by Aśādhara a great scholar of 13th Century. This work was written on cloth in samwat 1516 i. e. 1459 A.D. This is the earliest manuscript so far found on cloth in the Śāstra Bhandārs of the Jaipur City. Though the manuscript was written 500 years back, yet the condition of cloth is still good. The measurement of the manuscript is 10½'x10".
- (2) YASODHAR CARITA:—This is an illustrated manuscript copied in Samwat 1800 (1743 A.D.) The manuscript contains 30 illustrations based on the story of the work. All the pictures are coloured, representing Indian art.

(3) AJITNĀTH PURĀŅA:—This is an Apabhramśa work written by Vijaysingh. It was composed in Samwat 1505 (1458 A.D.) This is only the Apabhramśa manuscript so far found in this Śāstra Bhandār. It deals with the life of Ajitnātha, the second Tīrthankara. The manuscript is a rare one.

(11) ŚĀSTRA BHANŅĀR OF GODHĀ TEMPLE.

There are 616 manuscripts and 102 Guṭakās in the Śāstra Bhanḍār of Godha temple, which was constructed towards the end of the 18th Century. The manuscripts were brought from several places and housed in this Śāstra Bhanḍār.

The subjects of the manuscripts pertain to Purāṇa, Carita, Stories, Pūjā and Stotra and the languages in which the manuscripts are written are Samskrit and Hindī.

Most of the manuscripts are of the 17th, 18th and 19th Century. The earliest manuscript is VRIHAT KATHĀ KOṢA written by Śrutasāgar, in saṃskrit. This book was copied in Saṃwat 1586 i.e. 1529 A.D. and presented to Manḍalācārya Dharmakīrti. The latest manuscript is "TĪNALOKA PŪJĀ" in Hindī which was copied in Saṃwat 1993 (1936 A.D.). It is a voluminous work and contains 978 pages. This shows that there is still the custom among the Jainas to place the manuscripts in the Śāstra Bhanḍārs.

Some of the important manuscripts are as follows:-

- (I) VIMALANĀTHA PURĀŅA:-by Aruņamaņi composed in Samwat 1674 i.e. 1617 A.D. in Samskrit. It describes the life of Vimalanātha-13th Jaina Tīrthankara. The manuscript is of samwat 1696 (1639 A.D.)
- (2) HOLIKĀ CAUPAI:-composed by Dūngara Kavi in samwat 1629 (1572 A.D.) in Hindi. It narrates the story of Holikā according to the Jaina faith. There are 85 Padyas in the work. The last two stanzas of the work are as follows:—

मीलहमह गुग्गतीसइ सार, चैत्रइ विद दुतिया बुविवार ।
नयर सिकंदरावाद गुग्गकिर ग्रगाव, याचकमन्डल श्री खिमासाव ॥६४॥
तासु मीस दूंगर मिन रली, मध्यू चरित्र गुरू सांमली ।
जो नर नारी मुग्गसइ मदा, तिह घर लीहुइ संपदा ॥६४॥

(3) PANCA KALYĀŅAKAPĀŢHA:—It was composed by Har Cand in Hindi poetry in the year 1773 A.D. It describes the five ceremonies of a Tirthankara celebrated by the Gods. It contains 117 stanzas.

- (4) SUNDARA ŚRANGĀRA:—It is a work of Sundara Kavi composed in Samwat 1688 (1631 A. D.). It is a Lakśana work which contains 374 stanzas. It is collected in a Gutakā No. 25.
- (5) BIHĀRĪ SATASAĪ:-This is Brijbhāṣa commentary written by some Kriśna poet in samvat 1780 (1723 A.D.) at Agra, on Bihārī Satasaī. In the end of the commentary the writer gave his full description. The manuscript was copied in Jaipur in Samwat 1790 (1733 A.D.) The peculiarity of this commentery is that it is in both prose and Poetry. First of all the writer gives the sense of the original Dohās in Hindī prose and then he narrates the same in poem also. The commentary of the first Dohā is as follows:—

मेरी भव बाधा हरो, राधा नागरी सोइ । जा तन की भाई परे, स्याम हरित दुति होइ ।।

Commentary in Hindī prose:-

यह मंगलाचरण है तहां श्री राधा जू की स्तुति ग्रन्थ कर्त्ता किव करतु है, तहां राधा श्रीर दुहै यांते जा तन की फांई परे स्थाम हरित दुति होइ या पद तें श्री वृषमान सुता की प्रतीति मई।

Translation in Hindî poetry:-कवित्त

जांकी प्रभा ग्रवलोकत हो, तिहुं लोक की सुन्दरता गई वारी । कृष्ण कहै सरसी रूहै नैनिन, नामु महासुद मंगलकारा ।। जा तन की भलक भलक हिरत थुति, स्याम की होत निहारी । श्री वृषभान कुमारी कृषा कें, सुराधा हरो भव बाधा हवारी ।।

(12) ŚĀSTRA BHANDĀR OF JAINA TEMPLE SANGHIJI

The temple of Sanghījī is also a famous one of the city. it is situated is Modīkhānā Caukarī near Mahāvīrā park. The temple was constructed by Śri Jhūnthā Rām Sanghī, who was Dewān (Minister) of the Jaipur state during the reign of Māhārājā Jaisingh III (1818 to 1835). The Grantha Bhandār of this temple contains 979 manuscripts.

Most of the manuscripts pertain to 18th and 19th century. There are several manuscripts which were written even in 20th century and the latest manuscript written in this century is Namokār Kalpa of Samwat 1955 (1938 A D.) in Hindī and the earliest manuscript is PANCĀSTI-KĀYA PRABHRITA of Ācārya Kunda Kunda in Prakrit. The manuscript is of samwat 1487 (1430 A.D.)

The manuscripts are on common subjects like Pujā, Stotra, Purāņa and Story etc. There is an illustrated manuscript of MADHU MĀLTI KATHĀ written by Catura Bhuja Kavi in 17th century. The number of illustrations is 15. These are coloured paintings representing Rājasthānī art, but they are in a very torn condition.

The other work is HAMMIRA RASO, which was composed by Kavi Mahesa of 17th Century. It is a poem describing briefly the life of Rajā Hammīra of Ranthambhore.

(13) ŚĀSTRA BHANDĀR OF DIGAMBER JAINA TEMPLE, LAŚAKAR

There is a good collection of manuscripts in the Dig Jain Temple Laśakar, situated in the Bordi Kā Rāstā, Jaipur. The Grantha Bhandār remained the centre of Śri Kesari Singh, a scholar of 19th century who took great interest in the collection of the manuscripts. The total number of the manuscripts is 828. Following manuscripts are important one.

| 1 | Commentary on Pramananaya | Tatvālokālankār 'of Ratna | Prabhāchārya |
|-----|------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------|
| | | • • • | 1499 A. D. |
| 2. | Sap'a Padārth Vritt | • | 1484 A. D. |
| 3. | Pancāstikāya with commentary | Amrita Candra | 1516 A.D. |
| 4. | Ātma Prabodha | Kumār Kayi | 1515 A. D. |
| 5. | Āpta Patīkšā | Vidyanandi | 1578 A. D. |
| 6. | Commentary on Ratna Karanda | Srāvakācāra Prabhācandra | 1576 A.D. |
| 7. | Padma Carita Tippņa | Śri Cand Muni | 1454 A.D. |
| 8. | Ādīswar Phāga | Bhattarak Gyan Bhusana | 1530 A.D. |
| 9. | Śānti Purān | Pandit Asaga | 1534 A. D. |
| 10. | Malaya Sundri Kathā | Jaya Tilak Suri | 1463 A. D. |

(14) GRANTHA BHANDAR OF NAYA MANDIR.

The Grantha Bhandar is situated in the Jaina Temple of Bairathiyan in the Moti Singh Bhomiya ka Rasta. As the temple has been newly constructed, it is also called by the name of Naya Mandir. There are 150 manuscripts in the Sastra Bhandar. The earliest manuscript in the Grantha Bhandar is Candraprabha Caritra composed by Vira Nandi in Samskrit. The manuscript was copied in the year 1467 A D. There are manuscripts of Risimandal Stotra, Risimandal Pūja, Nirvāņa Kānda and Astānhikā Jayamāl which are written in golden ink and their borders are artistically designed and embroidered. These manuscripts are remarkable for border decoration representing various kinds of floral designs and geometrical patterns. Beautiful illustrations of creeperr have also been given,

(15) GRANTHA BHANDĀR OF CODHARIYĀN KĀ MANDIR

There are only 108 manuscripts in the Śāstra Bhandār of this temple which is situated in the Chajūlal Śāh kī Galī, Caukari Modī Khānā. Out of these 75 manuscripts are written in Hindī and the rest are in Samskrit. The collection is not of much consequence.

(16) ŚĀSTRA BHANŅĀR of KĀLĀ CHĀBARĀ JAINA TEMPLE

There are 410 manuscripts in the Śāstra Bhandār of Kālā Chābarā Jaina temple. The manuscripts are mainly on the subjects like religion, Purāna Kathā, Pūjā and Stotra. The Guṭakās which are 106 in number contain good collection of Hindī works written by Jaina and non-Jaina authors. The manuscripts are generally of 18th and 19th century,

(17) ŚĀSTRA BHANŅĀR OF MEGHARĀJAJI TEMPLE

There is a small collection of 249 manuscripts in the Śāstra Bhandār of Jaina temple of Megharājajī. The manuscripts deal with the subjects like Pūjā, Purāṇa and stotra. The Bhandār is systematically arranged and an incomplete catalogue is also available in the Śāstra Bhandār.

(18) SARASWATĪ BHAWAN OF YAŚODĀNANDA JAINA TEMPLE

This temple was constructed by Śrī Yaśodānanda, a Jaina Saint in Samwat 1848 (1791 A.D.) and at the same time a Śāstra Bhanḍār was also established in the temple. The total number of the manuscripts and Guṭakās is 353 and 45 respectively. The collection is an ordinary one and on the subjects like Pūjā, Stotra, Purāṇa, but Paṭṭāvalīs of the Emperors of Delhi and Hindī songs written in the praise of Bhaṭṭārakas Dharma Kīrti are of worth mention.

(19) ŚĀSTRA BHANDĀR-SĪKAR

Sīkar is a district Head quarter at present. It is a good city of the Western Railway on Jaipur Lohārū Branch. There are five Jaina temples in the city which possess some manuscripts but in the Jaina temple called Baḍā Mandir of Bīsapanthi, there is a good collection of the manuscripts. The total number of the manuscripts is 532, which are on paper. Manuscripts are written in Samskrit Prākrit, and Hindī. The number of Hindī manuscripts is also a large one. Panḍit Mahācandra who was a good scholar of 19th century, collected various manuscripts for the Grantha Bhanḍār.

The Grantha Bhanḍār is in good condition and systematically arranged. The manuscript are placed in the Vesthanas. One rough catalogue of the manuscripts is also available in the Śāstra Bhanḍār. There is no rare manuscript.

(20) GRANTHA BHANDĀRS OF ALWAR

Alwar was the Matsya Deśa, the kingdom of Rājā Virāṭa of the Mahābhārat, in the past. There is still a town called Macheri in this State which is a corruption of Matsya. It is why that the first Union of Rājasthān States of Alwar, Bharatpur, Dholpur and Karauli was given the name of Matsya. The Alwar state formerly appertained to the territory of Jaipur, but in the 19th century it was recognised as a separate State and Pratāpsingh was the first ruler. It is in the centre, between Jaipur and Delhi.

Alwar remained a centre of Jainas for a long time. There are nine Jaina temples in the City, out of which following temples have the collection of the manuscripts. The number of the manuscript in each temple is as follows:—

| | | No. of Manuscripts |
|-----|-----------------------------------|--------------------|
| (1) | Temple of Chājūrāmji | . 60 |
| (2) | Jaina temple of Sābjī Sahib | 40 |
| (3) | Bārtallā Jaina temple | 41 |
| (4) | Jain temple Nasiāji | 42 |
| (5) | Nāyā Bāzār Jaina temple | 39 |
| (6) | Khandelwäl Jaina Pancäyatī Mandir | 211 |
| (7) | Agarwal Pancāyatī Mandir | 186 |

Thus the total number of the manuscripts is 619 in the seven Bhandars of the City, Most of the manuscripts are in Samskrit and Hindī and were written in 18th and 19th century.

There are two manuscripts TATTWĀRTH SŪTRA and BHAKTĀMARA STOTRA written in golden ink. There is also a manuscript namely AMRITASĀGARA which was composed under the patronage of Māhārāja Pratāpsingh. It is on Indian Medicines (Āyurveda) having 25 Tarangas and written in Hindī. Māhārājā Pratāp Singh was the ruler of Jaipur State from the year 1778 to 1803. The manuscript was copied in the year 1791 A.D.

(21) ŚĀSTRA BHANŅĀR OF DŪŅĪ

Dūnī is a town situated on the left side of the road from Jaipur to Deoli. It is twelve miles from Tonk and six miles from Deoli. There is a Jaina temple which contains a small collection of the manuscripts numbering 143 only. According to an inscription engraved on the inner wall of the temple, it was constructed in Samwat 1585 i. e. in the year 1528 A.D. The Grantha Bhanḍār of this temple was also established at the same time. The earliest manuscript is Jinadatta Kathā in Samskrit which was copied in Samwat 1500 (1443 A.D.). Most of the manuscripts are in Hindī in which works of Vidyā Sāgar such as, (1) "SOLAHA SWAPNA" (2) "JINA JANMA MAHOTSAVA", (3) "SAPTA VYASANA SAVAIYĀ". (4) "VIŚĀPHĀRA—CHAPPAYA" etc are important. The "JHŪLNĀ" of Tānū Śāh in Hindī is also a rare work written in various metres and deals with on several topics. "RAJŪL KĀ BĀRAHAMĀSĀ" of Ganga Kavi is a rare work. Ganga Kavi was a Jaina poet and his full name was Gangādāsa. He was the son of Parwata Dharmārthī who was also a Hindī scholar. The work describes the various kinds of hardships sustained by Rājula in the twelve months.

ŚĀSTRA BHANŅĀRS OF ŢOŅĀRĀISINGH

Todārāisingh which was famous by the name of Takśaka Garha², remained famous literary centre for a long time. It is said to have been founded by the Nāgas. In the 15th century it was under the Sisodiyā Rājpūts of Udaipur, but after the defeat of Rānā Sangrāma Singh they became independent and under the rule of Akbar this whole province passed under him.³

From the old ruins it seems to be a very ancient town. There is one Visnu temple which was built by Guhil kings in the 10th century. The town is beautifully

- १. सुखकर सुन्दर मूलसंघ गछ सरसित जागों।

 वलात्कार गएा सार सूरी श्रमयेउ वलागों।।

 तस पट्टे शुभचंद्र हवा गछ नायक गुएा धारक।

 तस गुरू भ्राता ब्रह्मचारि श्री विद्यासागर।।

 मंघपित माधव वचन श्री सोल स्वपन कवित जे कहै।

 में सूर्यों जे भावसु ते श्रहे लोक सुख लहे।।।।।
- 2. Praśasti Sangrāh Amer Śāstra Bhandar Jaipur page 162.
- 3. Ibid.

surrounded by the walls. It is a city of tanks. The relation with the Jaina religion remained from an old period. From an inscription of Vijoliā dated 1169 A.D. it appears that Vaśravan, the fore fathers of Lallak constructed a Jaina temple in Todāpatanna. The town remained the literary centre from the very beginning. Solanki kings were very kind to Jainas so they also helped them in the enrichment of the literature,

Pravacanasāra was written in the year 1440 by Narsingh pupil of Madana Deva who was the brother of Acārya Subhacandra. The manuscript of Ādipurāṇa was copied in the year 1480 in the Parswanātha temple.

Under the rule of Rāmcandra Rāo, this town remained the main centre of literary activities as he was himself a lover of literature and art. Several manuscripts were written in his time. Some of the manuscripts written in his time are as follows:—

- (1) In Samwat 1612 (1555 A.D.) manuscript of Upāskādhyayana³ was copied.
- (2) Nāga Kumār Carita⁴ of Puṣpadanta was copied in Saṁwat 1612 (1555 A.D.)
- (3) Yasodharā Carita⁵ was written in Ādinātha temple in the same year i.e. 1555 A.D.
- (4) Yaśodharā Carita⁶ was copied in Samwat 1610 in the Ādinātha Jaina temple and presented to Bhaṭṭāraka Lalit Kīrti. At this time Salīm Śāh Sūri was the emperor of Delhi.
- (5) Nāga Kumār Carita⁷ was copied in Samwat 1603 (1546 A.D.)
- (6) Jambu Swamī Carita⁸ of Vīr Kavi in Apabhramśa was copied in Samwat 1600 (1543 A.D.) and 1601 (1544 A.D.) and both were presented to Mandalācārya Dharmacandra.
 - 1. Vīr Vānī. Vol.
 - 2. Rajasthan ke Jaina Śastra Bhandaren ki Grantha Suci, part II, page 208.
 - 3. Amer Śāstra Bhandar, Jaipur.
 - 4. Ibid.
 - 5 Praśasti Sangrah, Amer Śastra Bhandar, Jaipur p 162
 - 6. Ibid. p. 163
 - 7. Răinsthân ke Jaina Şāstra Bhandāron ki Granthā Sūci, Part II. page 247.
 - 8. Śāstra Bhandar of Tholiya Jain temple Jaipur.

After Rāma Candra Rāo, Kalyān Singh became the ruler. Under his rule also several manuscripts were written. The manuscript of Dharmopadeśa Śrāvakācāra¹ and Jasahar Cariya² were written in the year 1558 and 1557 A.D. respectively. In the time of Jagannātha Rāo also Ṭoḍārāisingh remained the centre by literary activity. Ādinātha Purāṇa³ of Puṣpadanta was copied by Śāh Nānū and presented to Bhaṭṭāraka Davendra Kīrti in Samwat 1664 (1607 A.D.). In Samwat 1708 (1651 A.D.) Khinvasi of Ṭoḍārāisingh presented the Padmapurāṇ of Raviṣeṇācārya to Panḍit Harśa Kalyāṇa.

(22 & 23) GRANTHA BHANDĀRS OF ĀDINĀTHA & PĀRŚWANĀTHA JAINA TEMPLES

There are at present two Grantha Bhandars. One Bhandar is situated in the Ādinātha Jain temple, while the other one is in Pārswanātha temple. The Śāstra Bhandar of Adinātha temple contains 246 manuscripts and the Śāstra Bhandar of Pārswanātha temple has 105 manuscripts. Most of the manuscripts are such as are used for the daily Swādhyāyā. The number of Hindi manuscripts are more than the manuscripts of any other language. Some of the important manuscripts are as follows:—

- 1. Caturvidha Dāna Kavitta by Gyān Sāgar of 18th century.
- 2. Nemiśwar Phaga by Vidyanandi composed in Samwat 1640 (1583 A.D). The work consists of 766 stanzas.
- 3. Triloka Sāra Tīkā by Mādhava Candra Trivaidya. The manuscript is dated Samwat 1500 (1443 A.D.)
- 4. Pravacana Sāra Ţīkā by Prabhā, Candra the manuscript is dated samwat 1605 (1548 A.D.). The earliest manuscript is Caturvinśati Stavan⁵ which was written in Samwat 1449 (1392 A.D.)
 - 1. Šāstrā Bhandār of Jain temple Bādhi candji.
 - 2. Amer Sastra Bhandar, Jaipur
 - 3. Ibid.
 - 4. Jain Śāstra Bhandar of Ādinātha temple of Ṭodarāisingh.
 - 5. मध्यदेशस्यं संवाशद्रंगनिवासि देविपसुतः सर्वदेवस्तस्यात्मजेर्ड्ह हैं इमाश्चतुर्विशतिजिनस्तुतयः तदग्रजपंडितधनपालविहिता विवरणार्ड्ड महायमकखंडनरूपाणं तासां स्तुतीनां लेशतो लेखि ।

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(24) ŚĀSTRA BHANŅĀR OF FATEHPUR (SHEKHĀWĀṬĪ)

Fatehpur is a beautiful city in Sīkar District of Rājasthān. It is now a Railway station on the Sikar-Cūru Branch of the Western Railway. Fatehpur remained the literary seat of Jainas. From the very beginning Jainas played an important role in the development of literature. The Agarwāla Jaina temple of Fatehpur was the centre of Bhaṭṭārakas who used to visit this place from time to time and took initiative in the management of the temples. These Bhaṭṭārakas used to collect the manuscripts and placed them in the Bhanḍārs. There is a collection of about 400 manuscripts at present in the Bhanḍār. These manuscripts are of later centuries i.e. 18th and 19th century. Most of the manuscripts were either written here or got written from else where and presented to this Bhanḍār by the Jainas of this city. In this respect Panḍit Jīwan Rām's contribution is marvellous. He wrote a Guṭakā which contains the matter of at least one lakh ślokas. Except this, Triloka Sārā Bhāṣā (1746 A.D.) Harivanśa Purāna (1767 A. D). Mahāvīra Purāna (1353 A.D.), Samayasār Nāṭak (1836 A.D.) Gyanārṇava of Śubha Candra (1831 A. D.) and several others were copied here and are preserved in this Bhandār.

The Guṭakā as stated above is the biggest Guṭakā, in material ever found any of the Bhandārs. It mainly deals with Āyurveda and Jhotiśa. It contains 1228 pages. This was written in Cūru by Śrī Jīwan Rāma from the year 1838 to 1860 A.D. and was completed in Fatehpur City in the year 1860 A.D.

There is another manuscript Namokāra Mahatmya Kathā, which contains 689 pages of size $13'' \times 7\frac{1}{2}''$. The manuscript was got written by Hirālāl Sohanlāl, Delhi and presented to this Grantha: Bhanḍār in the year 1922 A.D. It is fully illustrated and contains 76 illustrations on the various happenings in the life of the great persons of Jaina Mythology.

JAINA ŚASTRA BHANDĀRS-DAUSĀ

Dausā was an old capital of Kachhāwā Rājpūts and one of the most ancient cities of Rājasthān. It was famous by the name Devagiri. But now a days it is a good town on Jaipur-Bharatpur Road. There are two Jaina temples and both the temples have Śāstra Bhanḍārs in them.

(25) ŚĀSTRA BHANDĀR OF BĪSPANTHĪ MANDIR

There is an inscription at the back side of the main Vedi according to which this temple was constructed in Samvat 1701 (1644 A.D.) but as per oldness of the city and the temple itself. It seems that in that year it was reconstructed, The Sastra Bhandar of this temple is a small one. It contains only 177 manuscripts

including the Gutakās, Most of the manuscripts are of Hindī works. These manuscripts are of 17th to 19th century. Some of the manuscripts are important and they can be used at the time of their editing. The manuscripts of Vilhan Śaśikalā Prabandha is a good work of 17th century. It is with Hindī commentary by the poet Sāranga. The work runs both in Saṁskrit and Hindī.

(26) ŚĀSTRA BHANDĀR OF TERĀPANTHĪ MANDIR DAUSĀ

There is also a small Sastra Bhandar containing 150 manuscripts written on paper. Out of which most of the manuscripts are written in Hindī. But there is a good number of Apabhramsa manuscripts which were copied in 17th and 18th century. This shows that there was a general love and system of reading the Apabhramsa works upto 18th century. The manuscript of Caturdasa Gunasthan Carca is a rare one. It was written by Akhayarāj in Hindī prose.

(27) & (28) ŚĀSTRA BHAŅŅĀRS OF BASWĀ

Baswā is an old town and tehsil headquarter of Jaipur District in Rājasthān. It was the birth place of several scholars of Hindī literature and specially of Seth Amar Cand Bilālā for whom it is stated that he constructed the Jaina temple of Śrī Mahāvīraji. Jaina poet Daulat Rāma Kāslīwāl¹ (18th century) a famous story and Purāṇa writer was born in Baswā and his father Ānanda Rāma also lived there. In the 18th and 19th century Bāswā remained a centre of these scholars. There are several manuscripts in the Jaina Bhanḍārs of Jaipur city which were copied in Baswā and brought from there to the Jaipur City Bhanḍārs.

These manuscripts belong to the period from 1733 to 1835 i.e. for about one century during which the town was a centre of literary Activities. Caubīsaguņasthāna Carcā² was copied in Samvat 1832 (1775 A.D.). Mūlacāra Pradīpa³, Pāndava Purāṇa⁴, Rasik Priyā⁵, were copied in Samvat 1820, 1792 and 1733 respectively. There is still a collection of the manuscripts in two Jaina temples which throws some light on its bright past. Both the Terāpanthī and Pancāyatī temples contain Śāstra Bhandārs one in each temple. The Terāpanthī temple is very old and according to the inscription found in the temple it was constructed in the 16th century. The

^{1. &}amp; 2. Manuscript preserved in Śāstra Bhandār-Baswā

^{3.} Rājasthān ke Jaina Šāstra Bhāndāron kī Grant na Sūcī part 111. p. 166

^{4.} Ibid.

p. 223

^{5.} Ibid.

Terāpanthī Sect came into existence in the year 1626 A.D. according to Mithyātva Khandan Nāṭak¹ of Bakhat Rāma.

The Pancāyatī Mandir is also an old temple and important from the point of art and architecture. There is a Jaina idol of a very big size of the 12th century, which also shows that the temple was constructed in very early times. There is a small Grantha Bhandār which shows that sometime ago there was a very good collection of the manuscripts. The manuscripts were written between 15th to 18th century. The earliest dated manuscript is Samayasāra Vrittī² which was copied in Samwat 1440 (1383 A.D.). Works of Hindī and Prākrit are in majority in the Śāstra Bhandār. The following are the important manuscripts:—

- (1) KALPASŪTRA:—The manuscript is illustrated and written in golden ink. It has 39 paintings on the life of Lord Mahāvīrā. The various expressions depicted in them are very good. The manuscript was copied in the year 1479 A.D.
- (2) KALPASŪTRA:—This is another manuscripts which is also well illustrated. It contains 42 paintings which are evidences of good art. The manuscript is dated Samwat 1528 (1471 A,D.)
- (3) PADMANANDI MAHĀKĀVYA TĪKĀ:-This is a commentary written by Kavi Prahalāda in Samskrit on the original work Padamandi Pancavinsati. The commentary is a rare one.
- (4) MALAYASUNDARI CARITRA:-by Jaytilak Śūrī in samskrit. The manuscript was copied in Samwat 1490 (1423 A.D).
- (5) ABHAYA KUMÃR PRABANDHA CAUPAI:—written in Hindī in Samwat 1685 (1628 A.D.). The work is also a rare one. It describes the life of Abhaya Kumār.

(29) ŚĀSTRA BHANŅĀR-MOZAMĀBĀD

In 17th century Mozamābāda was a centre of Jaina literary activities. It is an old town which seems to be later on renamed as Mozamābāda. In the year

^{1.} Amer Sastra Boandar Jaipur.

यो देवसेन श्रीविमलसेन श्रीवर्मसेन सहस्वकीतिदेवाः तत्र जिल्लाहराज्यप्रवर्तमाने श्री देवसेन श्रीविमलसेन श्रीवर्मसेन सहस्वकीतिदेवाः तत्र जिल्लानिश श्रीश्रीष्टिकुलान्वये गर्गगोत्री सा वनाः तेन समयसार ब्रह्मदेव टीकाकर्ता मूलकर्ता श्रीकुन्दकुन्दाचार्यदेव-विरचितं लिखाप्य सहस्त्रकीति श्राचार्यप्रदत्तं ।

1607 A. D. one grand Jaina Prațisthā ceremony was celebrated which was conducted by Śrī Nānū Godhā who was the Minister of Rājā Mansingh of Jaipur. Only four year's before this ceremony Chitar Tholiā a Hindī writer completed his work 'Holī kī Kathā' in samwat 1660 (1603 A.D.) and described the town as follows:—

सौलासे साठे शुभवर्षे फालगुरा शुक्ल पूरिंगमा हर्षे। सौहे मोजाबाद निवास, पूजे मन की सगली आस।। सौहे राजा मान को राज, जिहि बोधि पूरव लग पाज। सुखि सबै नगर में लोग, दान पुण्य जारों सउ भोग।।

-Prasasti Sangrah p. 231

In the year 1538, Bhavisyadatta Carita of Dhanpāl Kavi was written in this town and at present this manuscript is housed in the Śāstra Bhanḍār of Āmer, Śrāvakācār of Vasunandi which was written in Samwat 1630 (1573 A.D.) is preserved in the Grantha Bhanḍār of temple Badhīcand. In the year 1589 A.D. Ādināthapurāṇa of the Apabhramsa language was copied in the Ādinātha temple.

Samwat 1660 (1603 A.D.) was specially marked for literary activity. Yasodharā Caritra of Sakal Kīrti and of Gyāna Kīrti² were copied in this year and were placed in various Bhandārs of Rājasthān,

The Sästra Bhandar is a part of the temple which is situated in the centre of the town. The manuscripts are placed in two Almirahs and their total number is 368. The condition of the Sästra Bhandar is not satisfactory, Several manuscripts have been destroyed due to the carelessness of the management. They have not been placed even in Vesthans so the dust and climate have attacked them frequently.

There are two copies of Jasahara Cariya of Puspadanta fully illustrated. No where these illustrated manuscripts in Apabhramsa language have been found. As such these are rare manuscripts. Out of these one is complete and other is incomplete. These were copied in 16th century. The paintings are very fine. The earliest dated manuscript is of the 15th century. The manuscripts of Pravacansāra of Kunda Kunda Acārya, (ii) Jinendra Vyākaraṇa (iii) Ṣaṭkarmopdeśa Ratnamālā of Amarkīrti (iv) Triṣaṣṭīsmrati Śāstra by Āśādhar (v) Yogasāra by Amitigati (vi) Tattwārtha Sutra Tippāṇī by Yogadeva (vii) Ādipurāṇa Tippaṇa by Prabhācandra are important.

^{1.} Rajasthan ke Sastra Bhandaron ki Grantha Suci, Part III.

^{2.} Prasasti Sangrah of Amer Sastra Bhandar, Jaipur. page. 281

There is also one manuscript of Kriśna Rukamani veli written by Prithivi Rāj with the commentary of Lākhā cārana. This is a rare manuscript.

(30) JAINA GYANA BHANDAR OF JHUNJHUNU

The collection in the Jaina Śāstra Bhandār¹ Jhunjhunu is not a large one. The total number of the manuscripts is 310. It possesses Hindī manuscripts more than those in other languages. The names of there manuscripts may be mentioned below:—

- 1. Abhaya Kumār-Caupai by Yug Pradhān Jin Candra Sūrī.
- Pānca Sandhi by Hemrāj in Hindī poem.
- 3. Hansrāja Vacharāja Caupai by Ţikam Cand.

(31) JAINA ŚĀSTRA BHANDĀR, RĀJAMAHAL

Rājamahal is a town in Tonk District of Rājasthān. It is about 80 miles from Jaipur and 20 miles from Tonk in the north. The River Banās takes a beautiful turn here and the place is a beauty sport in the rainy season. It was the centre of literary activities for about 300 years. In the manuscript of Harivansa Purān, of Brahma Jinadāsa copied here in Samvat 1661, Rājā Mānsingh of Āmer has been described as the Ruler of this town. There is a Śāstra Bhanḍār in the Jaina temple which possesses a collection of 255 manuscripts including Guṭakās. Manuscripts of Dhanya Kumār Caritra of Sakal Kīrti, Pārśvapurāṇa of Bhudhardāsa, Śrenika Carita, Kriyā Koṣa and Harivanṣa Purāṇa were copied in this town from the year 1822 to 1836 A.D. The collection is though on the various subjects and mainly in Hindī and Samskrit languages. Some of the important manuscripts are as follows:—

- (1) <u>KARAKANDUNO RĀSA</u>³:-by Brahma Jinadāsa in Hindī. This is a rare manuscript of 15th century.
 - 1 Manuscript Catalogue Preserved in Abhaya Jaina Granthalaya Bikaner.
 - 2. Amer Sastra Bhandar, Jaipur.
 - 3. श्री मकलकीरित गुरु प्रग्णमोनो मूनी भूवनकीरित श्रवतार । राम कीयो मेरु वडो, ब्रह्म जिनदास कहे सार ।। पढे गुगो जेह सांमले, मनधर श्रविचल भाव । मनवां छित फल ते लहे, पाम सिवपुरी ठाम ।।

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- (2) PRAŚNOTTAR ŚRAVAKĀCĀRA¹:-by Sakal Kīrti in Samskrit. This is an old manuscript and was copied in Samvat 1597 (1540 A.D.)
- (3) HOLI KATHĀ²:-by Muni Subha Candra. It was composed in the year 1697 A.D. It is also a rare work and has not been found so far in any of the other Bhandars of Rajasthan.
- (4) INDRIYA NĀTAK:-by Trilok Patni. This is a drama in Hīndī. This work is also a rare one. The drama³ was completed at Kekarī (Ajmer) in the year 1898.

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धनद नाम गोवालिया, एक कमले करी चंग।

पूज्या जिनवर मन रली, फल पाम्यो उत्तंग।।

एह कथा रस सांमली, भवीयएा सयल सुजाएा।

पूजो जिनवर मन रली, अष्ट प्रकारे गुएा भाएा।।

एक कमल फल वस्तरयो, स्वर्ग मूगती लगे चंग।

अनुदिन जेह जीन पूछे तेह न फले उत्तंग।।

सासो घरम सोहमएाो, थोडी कीजे महंत।

वड वीज जिम रूबडो, फली दीसे अनंत।।

इति करकण्डु मुनीरास, पूजा फल समाप्त।।

- स्वस्ति संवत् १५६७ वर्षे द्वितीय चैत्रमासे शुक्लपक्षे द्वितीयादिने रिववासरे समुमुक्षुए।
 सुमितिकी तिना कर्मक्षयार्थं श्रावकाचार ग्रन्थो लिखितं । ग्रन्थ संख्या २८८० ।
- 2. मुनि णुभचंद करी या कथा, धर्मप्रेष्यमें छी जथा। होली कथा सुनै जो कोइ, मुक्ति तथा सुख पावे सोय।।१२५।। संवत सतरासे परि जोई, वर्ष पचावन ग्रधिका ग्रीर। साक गिएा सौलाछैवीस, चेत सुदि सातै कहीस।।१२६।। ता दिन कथा संपूरण भइ, एकसौतीस चोपई मई। सेस दिन में जोडी बात, पून्यू दिसा कुसला…।।१२७।।
- उगरासि पचपन विपै, नाटक भयो प्रमान ।
 गाव केकेडी धन्य जहां, रहै सदा मितमान ।।

JAINA ŚĀSTRA BHANDĀRS, MĀLPURĀ

Mālpurā is an old town in Rājasthān. According to the description avai lable in the Guṭakās collected in Śāstra Bhanḍār of Jaina temple, Pātodī, Mālpurā was founded in Saṁwat 1619 (1562 A.D). The other name of the town i Dravyapur.¹ It remained the main centre of the Jaina literature from its very begin ning. There are 8 temples in the town. Out of which 4 temples have collections o manuscripts. The earliest² manuscript was copied in Mālpurā in Saṁwat 1631 (157-A.D). This is Vaḍḍhamān Cariya of Jaymitra Hala copied by Kamal Kīrti for hi own study. The other manuscripts which were copied here belong to the year 1576 1588 1592, 1652, 1829, 1803, 1812, 1783 A.D. and hundreds of others which are in the various Śāstra Bhanḍārs of Rājasthān.

(32) JAINA GRANTHA BHANDAR CAUDHRIYAN TEMPLE-MALPURA

There is a small collection of manuscripts numbering 50. All the manuscripts are on paper. The condition of the manuscripts is not good. There is a copy of BĪHARĪ SATSAI which contains 735 stanzas. The manuscript of Pārswa nāth Rāso³, composed by Brahma Kapoor Cand also forms part of the collection This was composed in Samwat 1597 (1540 A.D.) The work is a rare one and has no been published so far. It deals with the life of Pārswanātha.

(33) GRANTHA BHANDAR OF ADINATH TEMPLE-MALPURA

There is also a small collection of manuscripts which contains books meant only for daily reading. The Grantha Bhandar is quite in disorder and in bac condition. Among the rare manuscripts one is Kśetrapala Vintī⁴, by Muni Subha candra and the other is Hindī Padas by Harṣa Kīrti which are copied in a guṭakā number 3.

- 1. Pūjā Pātha Sangraha preserved in the Grantha Bhandar-Mālpurā
- 2. Amer Sastra Bhandar Prasasti Sangrah, page 130.
- 3. तास तसु सिपि तसु पंडित कप्रजीचंद, कीयो रास चिति धरिवि म्रानंद।
- गीत पहली गाय जो रक्ताय क्षेत्रपाल को,
 मुनि सुनचंद गायो गीत, मैह लाल को ॥११॥

(34) ŚĀSTRA BHANDĀR OF TERĀPANTHĪ TEMPLE-MĀLPURĀ.

There is here a collection of 74 manuscripts. It is an ordinary collection. There is no rare manuscript here but old copies of some manuscripts are in the collection.

(35) JAIN ŚĀSTRA BHANŅĀR-BHĀDWĀ

Bhādwā is a village in Phulerā sub-division. The village is 3 miles from the Railway station Bhainslānā on the Rewari-Phulerā Branch line of Western Railway. There is here a small Sāstra Bhandār having 130 manuscripts and 20 Guṭakās. Though there is no rare manuscript here, the copies of the following manuscripts are very important:—

- (1) DHARMAVILĀSA: -by Dyānata Rāya in Hindī (18th Century)
- (2) Hindī Translation of RATNA KARANDA ŚRĀVAKĀCĀRA by Sadāsukha Kāsliwāl in Hindī (19th Century)
- (3) GYĀNĀRŅVA BHAŞA :-by Labdhi Vijaygaņi in Hindī (17th Century)
- (4) BRAHMAVILĀSA: -by Bhaiyā Bhagawatīdāsa in Hindī (18th Century)
- (5) DHARMOPADEŚA SRĀVKĀCĀRA: -by Dharmadās in Hindī (16th Century)

All the manuscripts are written on paper. There is a good collection of Hindī works in Guṭakās such as DOHĀŚATAKA by Rūpa Cand and Updeś Pacciśī by Rāmdāsa.

<u>ŚĀSTRA BHANŅĀRS IN BHARATPUR DISTRICT</u>

The former Bharatpur State and now a district of Rājasthān remained a literary centre for a long time. As this district of the Rājasthān is considered a part of Brija Bhumi so the Hindī works influenced by Brija language (a part of Hindī) are in good number in the Grantha Bhandārs of this district. There are Jaina Grantha Bhandārs in Bharatpur, Deeg, Kāmā, Bayānā, Vair, and Kumher.

Bharatpur City was founded by Surajamal Jāt. It was one of the two Jāt states in Rājasthān before its merger. Sruta Sāgar a poet of 18th century described Bharatpur in his work Sata Māla Varnan' in the following way:—

देस काठहड विरिज मैं, वदनस्यंघ राजान । ताके पुत्र है भलो, सूरिजमल गुगावाम । तेजपुञ्ज रिव है भलो, न्याय नीति गुगावान । ताको सुजस है जगत में, तए दूसरो भान । तिनह नगर जु वसाइयो, नाम मरतपुर तास ।

In the 18th and beginning of the 19th century it was literary centre for the Jaina Scholars. There is a Jaina manuscript library which contains more than 8 hundred manuscripts. There are several manuscripts which were written in the 18th century in Bharatpur and placed in the Śāstra Bhanḍār of the city. Some of the manuscripts which were copied here are Ṣoḍāśakāraṇa Jayamāla¹ of Raidhu (1830 A.D.) Cāritra Pūjā of Srī Bhūśaṇa (1759 A.D.) Caubīsa Jīnarāj Pūjā (1827 A.D.) Sārdhadvaya Dvīpa Pūjā (1769A.D.) Brahma Vilās (1838 A.D.) Tattwasāra (1757 A.D.) Subhāṣita Ratna Sandoha (1770 A.D.) and Sidhānt Sāra Deepak (1766 A.D.) and many others. All the manuscripts are preserved in the Grantha Bhanḍārs of Bharatpur.

(36) ŚĀSTRA BHANŅĀR OF PANCĀYATĪ MANDIR

There are two Jaina temples in the city and both have the manuscript libraries in them. The Śāstra Bhandār of Pancāyatī temple has good collection of manuscripts. They are placed in wooden and stone almirahs. All the manuscripts are written on paper. The date of the establishment of the Bhandār is not traceable, but it appears that soon after the construction of this temple the manuscripts were also brought from the various towns and villages of the State when the Jainas came to settle down in the city. The 19th century was time of the growth of the Śāstra Bhandār as most of the manuscripts were written in that century.

The total number of the manuscripts is 801, and the earliest dated manuscript is VRIHAT TAPĀGACCHA GURĀVALI by Muni Sunder Sūri copied in Samvat 1490 (1433 A.D.). Most of the manuscripts are in Hindī language. SAPTA VYASAN KATHĀ composed by Mānik Candra in Samvat 1634 (1577 A.D.) in Apabhramśa language is a rare work as no such work has been found in any other Grantha Bhandār. Apart from this some of the manuscripts which are important, are as follows:-

^{1.} Rajasthan Grantha Bhandar Suci, Part III p 145.

- (1) SABHĀ BHŪṢAŅA¹:-by Gangārāma composed in Samvat 1744 (1687 A.D.) in Hindī.
- (2) PADASANGRAHA:-by Harsa Candra in Hindī,
- (3) JINADATTA CARITRA BHĀṢA1: -by Viśva Bhūṣaṇa in Hindī.
- (4) SUKHA VILĀSA3:-by Jodhrāja Kāslīwāl in Hindī prose.

The collection of the manuscripts written in Prākrit, Samskrit and Apabhramsa languages are also in good number. This collection is not limited to religious works as manuscripts of common interest are also in the Śāstra Bhandār. There is a manuscript which deals with the playing of Śatranja.

There is one illustrated manuscript named BHAKTĀMARA STOTRA by Māntung Ācārya. It has 51 illustrations very well coloured, Its painting is a speciman of medieval art. It was copied in the year 1769 A.D.

(37) GRANTHA BHANDĀR OF JAINA TEMPLE--PHOZURĀMA

There is another Sāstra Bhandār in Jaina temple, Phozurāma situated at Kotwālī market, This is a newly constructed temple so the collection of the manuscripts is also about 100 years old. There are only 65 manuscripts including Gutakās. All the manuscripts were not earlier than 150 years ago. The manuscript

- सत्रह सत संवत सरस, चतुर अधिक चालीस ।
 कातिक सुदि तिथि अष्टमी, वार सरस रजनीस ।।६२।।
 सांगानेर सुनग्र में, रामसिंह नृप राज ।
 तहां कविजन बचपन में, राजित समा समाज ।।२३।।
 गंगाराम तह सरस कवि, कीनों वृधिप्रकास ।
 श्री भगवंत प्रसाद तैं, इह सुभ सभा विलास ।।६४।।
- संवत् सत्रासै अठतीस, नाम प्रमोदा ब्रह्मावीस।
 अगहन वदि पांचै रिववार, अस्लेखा ऐन्द्र जोग सुधार।।
 नर नारी मन देके सुनों, ताको जसु तिलोक में गुनौ।
 यह चरित्र सुनियो मन लाइ, विश्वभूयण मुनि कहत बनाय।।
- 3. दौलत सुत कामा वसै, जोध कासलीवाल। निज सुख कारण यह कियो, सुखविलास गुणमाल।।

of commentary on Tattvārtha Sūtra¹ in Hindī prose is a rare one. This was composed in Vikrama Samvat 1935 (1878 A.D.) by Śrī Girvarsingh of Kumher.

ŚĀSTRA BHANŅĀRS OF DEEG TOWN

Deeg which is called a city of fountains is 25 miles from Bharatpur City. It was an old capital of the Bharatpur State. There are three Śāstra Bhanḍārs, out of which one is in the old Deeg and the rest two are in New Deeg.

(38) ŚĀSTRA BHANDĀR OF PANCĀYATĪ MANDIR--NEW DEEG

There are 81 manuscripts in the collection of this Bhandar. Except a few one all the manuscripts are in Hindī written in 18th and 19th century. Besides the manuscripts on religion, there are manuscripts on Grammar and Medicine. There is an original manuscript of MALLINĀTHA CARITA translated in Hindī by Sewā Rāma Pātnī who belonged to this city. He composed this work in 1793 A.D. here.

(39) ŚĀSTRA BHANDĀR OF BADĪ PANCĀYATĪ-DEEG

There was a very old collection of the manuscripts in the Grantha Bhandār of Pancāyatī Mandīr-Deeg but due to the mis-management it fell into a sorry state. Even now the manuscripts are not systematically arranged. I also came to known that several manuscripts were taken away by the scholars of the various places and were never returned.

At present there are only 56 manuscripts which are complete and the rest are incomplete and in wretched condition. The manuscripts were copied in the 16th 17th and 18th Centuries. The earliest dated manuscript is BHAGVATĪ ĀRĀDHAN² which was written in the year 1511 (1454 A.D.) in Māndalgarh. Except this there also copies of ṢAPĀ DARŚANA SAMUCCAYA of Rājahansa in Samskrit,

श्रंग स्वामी उमास्वामी ग्राचार्यकृत दशाध्यायी मूलसूत्र की सर्वार्थसिद्धि नामा संस्कृत टीका ताको भासा बचिनका तैं संक्षेप मात्र लेके दीवान वालमु कंद के पुत्र गिरिवरसिंह वासि कुभेर के ने ग्रपनी तुच्छ बुद्धि के ग्रनुसार मूल सूत्रिन की ग्रथं जानिने के लिये यह वचनिका रची ग्रीर सवत् १६३५ के ज्येष्ठ सुदि २ रिववार के दिन संपूर्ण कीनी।

संवत् १५११ वर्षे वैशाल बदि ७ गुरू पक्षे पुष्यनक्षत्रे सकलराजि-शिरोमुकट मािग्रावय-मरीचिये घारिकृत-चर्ग्यकमग्ग्पादपीठस्य श्रीराग्गाकुं मकर्ग्यकलसाम्राज्यबुं रां विभ्राग्गस्य समये श्रीमंडलगढगुनस्थाने श्रादिनाथ-चैत्यालये ।

BHAAVISYADATTA CARIYU by Śrīdhar in Apabhramśa, ĀTMĀNUŚĀṢANA of Gunabhadra and JAMBU SWĀMI CARITA by Sakal Kīrti in Samskrit.

(40) GRANTHA BHANDĀR OF JAINA MANDIR-OLD DEEG

The Grantha Bhandār is placed in the Jaina temple situated in old Deeg. The temple is very old and it appears that it must have built before 14th century. There are 101 manuscripts in the Śāstra Bhandār which have been placed in wooden Almirah, They are not in good condition and are deteriorating fast. Most of the manuscripts are in Hindī and on religious subjects. But apart from this some of the manuscripts are very important. The VIKRAMA CARĪTA of Rāma Candja Sūri is one of the manuscripts not generally available in other Bhandārs. This is a Saṃskrit work composed in 1423 A.D. The copy JINAGUŅAVILĀSA of Nathmal which was composed in Saṃvat 1822 (1765 A.D.) in Hindī and is dated 1766 A.D. There is also a BHRAMARGĪTA of Mukunda Dāsa which is complete and in good condition. The Hindī translation of VASUNANDI SRĀVAKĀCĀRA which was composed in the year 1850 A.D in Āmer is also one of the few manuscripts. The work CAUBĪSA TĪRTHANKARA PŪJĀ composed by Cunilāl in Hindī in Saṃvat 1914 (1857 A.D. is a rare work. This was composed at Karauli. There is a copy of JANMA PATRĪ of Khusāla Candra who was the famous Writer of Hindī in Sāngāner (18th century).

KĀMĀ

Kāmā is one of the oldest towns of Rājasthān. This was previously in the Bharatpur State and now it is a Tehsil Headquarter in the Bharatpur District.

From the manuscripts found in the Jaina Grantha Bhandars of Rajasthan it is presumed that the town remained a literary centre in 18th and 19th century. Though in the Śastra Bhandar of Agarwal Jaina temple there are manuscripts relating even to 14th century, they were brought from other centres, as in the Śastra Bhandar there is no manuscript of earlier than 18th century which was written in Kāmā.

Jodhrāja Kāslīwāl son of Daulatarāma Kāslīwāl a famous Hindī scholar of 18th-19th century belonged to the town. Jodhrāja wrote Sukhvilāsa in Samvat 1884 i.e. in the year 1827 A.D.

Hindī commentary of Pravacanasāra and Pancāsti Kāya written by Hemra ā was copied in Kāmā in samvat 1719 and 1727 (1662 and 1670 A.D.) respec-

^{1,} Preserved in Grantha Bhandar-Kāmā.

^{2.} लिखाइत साह श्रीदेवीदास लिखित महात्मा दयालदास महाराजा श्रीकर्तसिहजी विजयराजे गढ कामावती मध्ये श्रात्मार्थि ।

tively. A copy of Ratna-Karanda¹ Srāvakācāra was also copied in samvat 1756 (1699 A.D).

There are several manuscripts in the Sästra Bhandar of Kāmā which were presented to it.

(41) ŚĀSTR BAHANŅĀR OF KHANDELWĀL JAINA MANDIR-KĀMĀ

There is a good collection of 578 manuscripts including the Guţkās in the Jaina Śāstra Bhanḍār of Khandelwāl Jaina Mandir Kāmā. Manuscripts written in Saṁskrit, Prākrit, Āpabhraṁśa Rājasthāni and Hindī are there in the collection. Most of the manuscripts are old. From the collection of the Bhanḍār it appears that at some time this temple remained the centre of literary activities. Some of the important manuscripts which are in the collection are as follows:—

- 1. PĀNDAVA CARITRA 2:-by Deva Prabha Suri in Samskrit. The manuscript is of Samvat 1454 (1397 A.D).
- 2. ĀTMĀNUŚAṢAN:—A commentary on it was made by Prabhā Candra in Samskrit.

 The manuscript was copied in the year 1491 A.D. at Gwalior.

 The original work was written by Guṇabhadrācārya.
- 3. SAMAYASĀR 3:—A commentary on it made by Śrī Śubhacandra in Samskrit. This is a rare work and was composed in Samvat 1573 (1516 A.D.)
- 4. JINARĀTRI VRATA MAHĀTMYA⁴:-by Muni Padmanandi. The work is in Samskrit and is dated 1537 A.D.
- 5. ATMA PROBODHA 5:-by Kumār Kavi. The manuscript was copied in Samvat 1547 (1490 A.D.) at Śrī Pathā Nagar.
 - 1. Preserved in Grantha Bhandar-Kāmā.
 - मवत् १४५४ वर्षे ज्येष्ठ सुदि ७ सप्तमी गुक्रवारे श्री पाण्डवचरितं वयरसेगोन लिखितं महाहडीहगच्छे श्रीमुनिप्रमसूरीगां योग्यं ।
 - रिचतेयं वर टीका नाटकपद्यस्य गद्ययुक्तस्य ।

 गुमचन्द्रेगा सुजयतां विद्यासवन.....कात् ।।
 - इतिश्रीवर्द्धं मानस्वामिकयावतारे जिनरात्रित्रतमहात्म्यप्रदर्शके मुनिश्रीपद्मनन्दीविरिवते मनः मुखायनामां किते श्रीवर्द्धं माननिर्वाणगमनं नाम द्वितीयपर्वः ।
 - संवत् १५४७ वर्षे फाल्गुन सुदि ११ दिने श्रीपथानगरे खंडेलवालवंशे गर्ग गोत्र संघई मेग्गपालेन विखापितं ।

- 6. PRABODHA CINTĂMANI:-by Rāja Śekhar Sūri. It is in Samskrit prose. The manuscript was written in Samvat 1405 i.e. 1348 A.D. at Delhi.
- 7. DAŚ LAKŚANA KATHĀ¹:-by Hari Canda This is in Apabhramśa, and was composed in the year 1467 A.D. at Gwālior.
- 8. <u>DHARMA PANCAVINSATI2</u>:—by Brahma Jinadāsa. This is in Apabhramsa. There are only 26 stanzas. This is also a rare work.
- 9. PĀRSWA PURĀŅĀ³:-was composed by Padma Kīrti in Apabhramśa in Samvat 999. The manuscript was written in Samvat I574 i.e. 1517 A.D. and was presented to Muni Narendra Kīrti.
- 10. SANGRAHAŅI SŪTRA BHĀṢĀ⁴:-The original work was translated in Rājasthāni Prose by Daya Hansa Gaņi. The manuscript belongs to Samvat 1497 (1440 A.D).
- 11. YAŚASTILAKA CAMPU⁵:-by Somdeva Sūri. The manuscript is incomplete and was copied in Samvat 1460 (1403 A.D).
- 12. MALLINĀTHA CARITRA BHĀṢĀ :-by Sewā Rāma Pāṭnī. The work was composed in the year 1850. The manuscript was written in Kāmā City.
 - उवएसयकहियगुराग्गलयं, पंदहसयचउवीसमलयं।
 भादवसुदिपंचिम ग्रहविमलं, गुरुवारु विसाखगु खतु ग्रमलं।
 गोवग्गरिदुगुद्दारार्इयं, तोमरहं वंसं किल्हग्गसमयं।
 सासयसुहरत्तु भवर्गीहिचत्तु, परमपुरिसु ग्राराहियगा,
 दहधम्महमाउ पुग सयहाउ, हरिचन्द ग्रामंसिय जिगाचरगा।।
 - 2. मेहा कुमडिंगिचन्दं भवदुहसायरहं जागापत्तिमिगां। धम्मविलाससूदहं भागितं जिगादास वम्हेगा ॥२६॥
 - 3. संवत् १५७४ कार्तिक बुदि ३ चित्रकूटे रागाा श्री संग्रामराज्ये.......एतेषां मध्ये साह मेघा पुत्र होरा, ईसर महेसर करमश्री इद् पार्श्वनाथ परित्रं मृनि श्री नरेन्द्रकीति योग्यं घटापित ।
 - 4. संवत् १४६७ द्वितीयश्रावरामुदि चउदिस शुक्रवारइं तिराइ दिवसइं तपागच्छनायक भट्टारक श्रीरतनसिंहसूरिनइं शिष्यइ पंडितं दयाहंसगराइं ए वालाववोध रच्चयउ सर्वसौख्य मांगलिक्यनइं ग्रथंइ हुवइ ।
 - 5. संवत् १४६० वैसाख वृदि १२ नेमिचन्द्रमुनिना उद्दनहस्ते लिखापितं पुस्तकमिदं ।

13. PRADYUMNA CARITĂ:-by Kavi Sadhāru. The work was composed in the year 1411 (1354 A.D). This work describes the life of Pradyumna son of Śrī Kriṣṇa, in Hindī poem.

Guṭakā number 331 is also important one. It contains several small works of Hindī written in 15th and 16th century by the various authors and specially by Śrī Vūca-Rāja and Brahma Dīpa etc.

(42) ŚĀSTRA BHANŅĀR OF AGRAWĀL PANCĀYATI MANDIR-KĀMĀ

There is a small Sastra Bhandar which contains only 105 manuscripts. The temple is old. Sastra Bhandar was established about 60 years ago, when separation was made between the two temples. All the manuscripts are of 18th and 19th century. There is a manuscript of PRADYUMNA CARITA which contains date of composition as Samvat 1311 (1254 A.D). The copy is incomplete one.

(43) GRANTHA BHANDĀR OF ŚRĪ MAHĀVĪRAJĪ

The Grantha Bhandār is situated in the famous temple of Digambar Jaina Atiśaya kśitera Śrī Mahāvīrajī. The temple is four miles from the Railway station Śrī Mahāvīrajī. The temple is famous throughout India. There is a seat of Bhattāraka. The Bhattārakas came from Āmer, the old capital of former Jaipur Śtate. The Grantha Bhandār of this temple possesses 515 manuscripts including the Guṭakās. The manuscripts are of 15th to 19th century. There is a good collection of the manuscripts of Prākrit, Apabhramśa, Samskrit and Hindī works. The manuscripts are systematically arranged. The list of the manuscripts has been published Some of the important and old manuscripts are. (1) Tattwārtha Sūtra Vriti (Yogadeva) (2) Nemiśwar Gīta (Valhava), (3) Trayodaśamārgī Rāso (Dharmasāgar) 4 Pārswanāth Rāso (Brahma Vastupāl and 5 Indraprastha Prabandha.

BAYĀNĀ

Bayana is an old town of Rajasthan. There is a fort which was built earlier than the 4th century. A large hoard of Gupta coins was discovered there about two decades ago, which was studied by Late Dr. A. S. Altekar. The town was also a great centre of the Jainas. The Jaina temple in the town belongs probably to the tenth century A.D. Tradition has it that it possessed a very good collection of manuscripts but it appears that it was destroyed by the Muslim invaders. In the 18th

^{2.} Amer Sastia Bhandar ki Grantha Suci.

century the Grantha Bhandār was re-established. There are at present two Grantha Bhandārs containing several manuscripts which were copied here in Bayānā. PANCA PARMESŢHI PŪJA of Yaśonandi was copied in the year 1760 A.D. while SVAPANO-DHYĀYA was copied in the year 1811 A.D. There are two Grantha Bhandārs, one is in Pancāyati Mandir and the other is in Terāpanthī Mandir.

(44) ŚĀSTRA BHANDĀR OF PANCĀYATĪ MANDIR-BAYĀNĀ

The Grantha Bhandar though a small one is systematically arranged. A list of all the manuscripts is already prepared. The total number of the manuscripts is 150 out of which Hinda manuscripts are in majority. The collection seems to have been made in 18th and 19th century. The following are the important manuscripts in the Grantha Bhandar:—

- 1. VRATAVIDHĀN PŪJĀ: :-by Hīra Lāl Lohadiā in Hindī.
- CANDRA PRABHA PURĀŅA²:-By Jinendra Bhuṣaṇa in Hindī. This was composed in the year 1794 at Itāwāh.
 - 1. तीन लोक मांहि सार, मध्य लोक को विचार!

 ताके मध्य दीपोदव, असंख प्रमान जो।

 सवदीप मध्य लसे, जंबू नामा दीप यह।

 ताकी दिसा दश तामें, भरत बखान जी।

 तामें देश मेवात है, बसत सुबुधी लोग।

 नगर फिरोजपुर—भीरकी महान जी।

 जामें चैत्य तीन बने, पूजत है लोग घने।

 बसत श्रावग वहां बडे पुन्यवान जी।

 मूल संघी संघ लसें, सरस्वती गच्छ जिसे।

 गएसी बलात्कार, कुन्दकुन्द ग्रानजी।

 श्रैसी कुल श्रावक है, वंश में खंडेलवाल,

 गोत को जुहाड्या, रच करी जिनवानी जी।

 किसन हीरालाल सुत, ग्रमर सुचन्द नित,

 वाल के ख्याल व्रत, छन्द यो वखान जी।
 - 2. जिनेन्द्र भूपरा लघु शिष्य बुद्धि कर हीन ज्यू।

 कहाँ पुरारा सुग्यान पूररा पद जात ज्यू।

 संवत (१८४१): ठारासे इकतालीस सांभले,

Continued...

- 3. BĀHUBALI CANDA: -by Kumuda Candra in Hindī. This was composed in the year 1410 A.D. at Ghoghānagar.
- 4. NEMINĀTHA KĀ CAND²:-by Hemcandra pupil of Śrī Bhuṣaṇa. This is in praise of Neminātha.
- 5. NEMIRĀJUL GĪTA:-by Guņacandra. This is also in praise of Nemīnātha.
- 6. UDARA GĪTA:-by Chīhal of 16th century.

(45) ŚĀSTRA BHANŅĀR OF TERĀPANTHĪ MANDIR-BAYĀNĀ

The Śāstra Bhanḍār of this temple is also systematically arranged The manuscripts are preserved and placed in the cloth covers duly written their names on them. There are 153 manuscripts including Guṭakās in the Śāstra Bhanḍār. Most of the manuscripts are of Hindī works. There is no manuscript upto 17th century. This shows that the Bhanḍār only came into existence in the 18th century. The following are the rare manuscripts which are preserved in the Grantha Bhanḍār:—

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1.

सावन मास पवित्र पाप मित की गलै।
मुदि ह्वै है त पुनीत चन्द्र रिववार है,
पूरण पुष्य पुरान महानुस्तकार है।
शहर इटावा मली, तहां बैठक मई,
श्रावक गुन संयुक्त बुद्धि पूरन लई।।
संवतु चौदस में सडसठो,

जेप्ट जुक्ल पंचमी तिथी छट्ठे। कविवर वारे घोषानयरे, श्रति उत्तंग मनोहर जुन घरे।।२०७॥ श्रप्टम जिनवरने प्रामादे, सांमलियो जिनगान मुखादे, रन्नकीर्ति पदवी गुगापूरे,

उ. काष्ठासंघ विन्यात धर्म दिगम्बर बारक, तनु नद नट गच्छ गगा विद्या मिव तारक। गुन गोमम कुल मांन रामसेन गच्छनायक, नरसींघपुरादि प्रसिद्ध द्वादश न्याति विधायक। तनु अनुत्रमे घाणु भन्या, गछ नायक श्रीकार, श्रीमूषगा शिष्य कहे, हेमचन्द विस्तार ॥२०४॥

रित्रयो छन्द कुमूद जिलासुर ॥२०=॥

- 1. ŞODAŚA KĀRAŅA VRATODYĀ PAN PUJĀ1:-by Sumati Sāgar in Samskrit.
- 2. LĪLAVATĪ BHĀṢA²:-by Lāl Canda Sūri. This is a work on Jyotiṣa translated from Saṃskrit to Hindī.
- 3. TATTWĀRTH SŪTRA BHĀŞĀ:-by Sewā Rāma Pātnī, in Hindī.
- 4. AKŚAR BĀVANĪ³:-by Pānde Kesava Dāsa. There are 61 stanzas in Hindī. It was composed in Samvat 1736 (1679 A.D.).

(46) ŚĀSTRA BHANŅĀR OF JAINA TEMPLE VAIRA

Vaira is an old town which is about 15 miles from Bayānā. This is a Tehsil Head quarter at present. There are two Jaina temples, one is Digambara and

- इति पौडणकारगोद्यापन पाठः ।
 पंचाणदिवकः श्लौकः पटणतैः प्रिमतं महत् ।
 तीर्थकृतपरपूजायाः सुमितसागरोदितः ।।१।।

शान्तिहर्ष वाचक भले, जस सौभाग्य ग्रपार। शिष्य तास सुविनीत मित, लाल चन्द इए। नाम, गुरू प्रसाद कीवी भलो ग्रन्थ भए।या ग्रविराम।

3. वावन अक्षर जोय करें भैया,
गांवुं पच्चासिह मैं मल मावे ।
सुख सौमाग्य नीको तिनको हुवे,
वावन अक्षर जो गुरा गावे ।
लावण्य रतन गुरू सुपसावसुं,
केणवदास सदा सुख पावे ॥६१॥

other is Swetāmbar. The Sāstra Bhandār situated in Digambara Jaina Mandir contains 120 manuscripts. The number of Gutakās is more than the manuscripts. But the condition of the manuscripts is not good. They have been placed in the covers of cloth just like the rough papers, while some of the manuscripts are without the cloth covers.

The Gutakās contain good collection of Hindi and Samskrit works. They mainly relate to Pūja, Kathā and Stotras etc.

KARAULĪ

Karaulī is a covenanting state of Rajasthān. The City is 18 miles from Hindaun which is a Station of Western Railway (Broad guage). Karaulī remained a centre of Jaina literature in the 18th and 19th century. Nathmal Vilālā, who wrote several works in Hindī mentions the name of Karaulī.

In the 18th and 19th century several manuscripts were written in Karauli and were placed in city Bhandars and various Bhandars of Rājasthān.

(47 & 48) Grantha Bhandars-Pancavatī Mandir & Sogāni Jaina Mandir-Karauli

There are two Jaina Grantha Bhandars in the city. One Grantha Bhandar is in the Pancayati Mandir and the other is in the Sogani Jaina Mandir.

The Grantha Bhandar of Pancayati Mandir possesses 227 manuscripts out of which the number of Gutakas is 44. The collection was meant only for self-study. As such the manuscripts are on the subjects of Purana, Katha, Sidhant etc. Varanga Cariya composed by Tejapal in Apabhramsa language, is a rare manuscript.

The other Śāstra Bhandār exists in the Sogāni Jaina temple. There is only a small collection of 87 manuscripts. The collection is very ordinary and no rare or old manuscript exists in the Bhandār.

(49) GRANTHA BHANDĀRS OF HINDAUN.

There are two Śāstra Bhandārs established in the temples. The total number of the manuscripts is 426. The condition of the manuscripts is not good and they have been placed even without cloth covers. Several of them have already been made incomplete.

AJMER

Ajaimeru Durga, as the present Ajmer was then called, was built by King Ajaypāl Cauhān who was the king of Sapāda Lakśa with Sāmbhar as his capital early in sixth century A.D¹. According to Prithvi Rāja Vijay, Ajaideva II, the 23rd Cauhan King of Sākambharī founded a town named it after himself. On the basis of this statement Dr. Buhler² concluded that the city of Ajmer was founded by him. But the statement of Dr. Buhler does not seem to be correct as there is an inscription³ in the Chatrīs of Digambara Jaina religious leaders called—Bhaṭṭārakas which bear the date of Samvat 817 (760 A.D.). The other inscriptions in these Chatrīs are dated 845 A.D., and 871 A.D. This was long before the time Ajaideva II who lived in the 12th century.

Ajmer has been the political and cultural centre of Rājasthān since its foundation. After its conquest by Śāhbuddīn Gaurī, it was made capital of Rājputānā. It retained this position till the integration of the Rājputānā States in 1949. Ajaideva son of Ānājī (1130–1150 A.D.) built Ānāsāgar lake and Ānājī son Vīśaldeva (1151–1163 A.D.) constructed the Visalasar lake (Visale) with temples and palaces round it. It was also a centre place of Jaina religion and culture. There is a manuscript in Jaisalmer Bhandār which was copied in Samvat 1212 i.e. 1165 A.D. It refers to Ajmer as Ajaymerū Durga. At this time Vigrah Rāja Deva was the emperor. the Praśastis is as follows:—

संवत् १२१२ चैत्र सुदी १३ गुरौ ग्रद्योह श्री ग्रजयपेरुदुर्गे समस्तराजाविलविराजितपरम-मट्टारकमहाराजाधिराजश्रीविग्रहराजदेवविजयराजे उपदेणपदटीकाऽलेखीति ।

According to the Bhattāraka Pattāvalī the first Bhattāraka on the Ajmer Gadi was Viśālkīrti and he sat on this in Samvat 1168 (1111 A.D.). This shows that the Ajmer city even before 12th century was the centre of Jainas and a great literary activities had been commenced even before the period. In the 16th century the city was a great literary centre. Pradyumna Carita⁵ of Singh Kavi was written in Samvat

^{1.} Ajmer-Historical & Descriptive by Harbilas Śarda. 37

^{2.} Artīcle on Ajmer published in the Indian Antiquāry Vol. XXVI. p. 162-63.

^{3.} Ajmer-Historical and Descriptive by H. B. Śārda p. 37

^{4.} Ibid. p. 38

^{5.} Amer Sästra Bhandar-Jaipur.

1595 (1538 A.D.) and presented to Mandalācārya Dharmacandra. Bhavisyadatta Carita¹ of Dhanpāla, an Apabhramṭa work was copied in Samvat 1589 (1532 A,D.).

Ajmer is a holy place for Hindus, Muslims and Jainas. There are nine Jaina temples. Two Grantha Bhandārs exist in the Jaina temple of Badā Dhadā and the Third one is in Jaina temple of Sethji.

(50) GRANTHA BHANÇĀRS OF JAINA TEMPLE BAÇĀ DHĀÇĀ

The Grantha Bhandar of this temple is among the big Bhandars of Rajasthan. The temple in which the Bhandar lies, remained the seat of the Bhattarkas for a long time. It was constructed in the 16th century and as such this Sastra Bhandar was shifted to this temple which already existed in other temple before 16th century. The services rendered by the Bhattarakas in the enhancement of the collection cannot be even estimated. The collection work of the manuscript was continued systematically upto the Bhattarka Vijaykīrti (18th Century). He was a good scholar and interested in the collection of the literary works. There are several manuscripts which were copied by the Bhattaraka himself. But after his death, the management of the Grantha Bhandar became disturbed and due to carelessness of management, several manuscripts were destroyed and more than one thousand manuscripts have been made incomplete. But there is a collection of 2015 manuscripts still safely preserved. The Grantha Bhandar has been now systematically arranged by the author himself in December 1958. These manuscripts belong to Samskrit, Prākrit, Apabhramśa, Hindī and Rājasthānī works. Though the Grantha Bhandār seemed to have come in o existence in the 13th century, there is no manuscript prior to 15th century. The earliest written manuscript was copied in the year 1406. It is a manuscript copy of SAMAYASĀRA PRĀBHRITA2. Most of the manuscripts written in this Bhandar belong to 15th to 18th century. This shows that this Bhandar remained the literary centre during these centuries.

As the whole collection belongs to the Bhattarakas so the manuscripts on the subjects like Ayurveda, Jyotişa and Mantra Śāstra are also in abundance. Such a huge collection on Ayarveda is not available every where else. Several Gutakās completely related to the Ayurvedic literature.

^{2.} Praśasti Sāngrah of Āmer Śāstra Bhanḍār. Jaipur p. 149.

१ न्वस्ति श्री संवत् १४६३ वर्षे मार्गकृष्ण् त्रयोदण्यां सोमवासरे ग्रद्योह श्रीकालपी नगरे......

एतेपां मध्ये साघु नइण् पौत्रेण् नरपित पुत्रेण् साघु श्रीवाल्हाचार्यदेवेन साघुनी

जीरण्पालही लहुपडिकातेन साघुराजजातेन पौत्र साघु श्रीपाल्हण्चन्द्र समुद्रमवने
श्री समयसारपुस्तकं लिखाप्य संसारसमुद्रोतार्गार्थ दुग्तिदुष्टविध्वसनार्थं ज्ञानावरणा
एटकर्मध्यार्थं श्रीवमंहेतो सुगुरो वर्मचन्द्रदेवेभ्यः पुस्तकदानं दत्तं ।

Some of the old as well as complete manuscripts which can be very useful at the time of editing are as follows:—

| • | 1 | | |
|------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|
| Serial Number | Name of the manuscript | Author's Name | Date of manuscript |
| (1) | Ātmānuśāṣan Ţīka | Prabhācandra | 1523 A.D. |
| (2) | Sidhānta Sāra | Jinacandrācārya | vs. 1526 1469 A.D. |
| (3) | Nagakumār Carita | Malliśena | 1618 A.D. |
| (4) | Candraprabha Kavya | Vīrnandi | 1621 A.D. |
| (5) | Praśnottar Srāvakācār | Sakalkīrti | 1496 A.D. |
| (6) | Dharma Parīkśā | Āmiṭigati | 1480 A.D. |
| (7) | Sabda Bheda Prakāśa | Maheśwar | 1569 A.D. |
| (8) | Harivansa Purāņa | Brahma Jinadāsa | 1516 A.D. |
| (9) | Sāgār Dharmāmrita | Āśādhar | 1523 A.D. |
| (10) | Śabdānuśāṣan | Hemcandra | 1457 A.D. |
| (11) | Yogaśāstra | -do- | 1530 A.D. |
| (12) | Subhāṣita Ratan Sandoha | Āmitigati | 1517 A.D. |
| (13) | Sukumāla Caritra | Sakalkirti | 1480 A.D. |

There is a good collection of Samskrit and Hindī works which are preserved only in this Bhandār. Some of them are as follows:—

(Sanskrit Manuscripts)

| (1) | Ādhyātma Rahasya | Āśādhar | 13th Century |
|-------|----------------------------|---------------|--------------|
| (2) | Jītasāra Samuccaya | Vrisbha Nandi | 13th Century |
| . (3) | Samādhi Maraņotsava Dīpikā | Sakal Kīrti | 15th Century |
| (4) | Citra Bandha Stotra | Medhävī | . ** |
| (5) | Carpața Śatak | Cārpaṭa | " |

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(19)

Cūnarī Rāsa

Banjāra Gīta

Manakarahā Rāsa

Rajamatī Nemīśvār Dhāl

PRĀKRITA & APABHRAMŚA MANUSCRIPTS

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|------|---------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------------|
| (1.) | Prākrit commentary on | · 🚴 | |
| | Gomattasār | Unknown author | |
| (2) | Pingala Caturașiti Rūpaka | Unknown (Prākrit) | |
| (3) | Pāsa Cariyu | Tejāpāl (Apabhraṁśa) | , v - <u>(</u> |
| | HINDĪ & RĀJASTI | HĀNĪ MANŪSCRIPTS | • |
| (1) | Eudhi Prakāśa | Delha | 16th Century |
| (2) | Viśālkīrti Gīta | •• | ,, |
| (3) | Dharma Kīrti Gīta | Vūcaraja | ** |
| (4) | Bhuwan Kirti Gita 📝 🖰 | -do- | , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , |
| (5) | Subhānu Carita | Upādhyaya Vinaysāgas | • |
| (6) | Sānti Purāņa | Ţhākur ` | Vs 1562 (1505 A.D) |
| (7) | Cetana Pudgal Dhamāla | Vūcaraja | 16th Century |
| (8) | Mriga Samvāda | Devaraja | Composed in the year 1576 A.D. |
| (9) | Pārsvanātha Ādityavāra | | • |
| | Kathā | Brahma Nemidāsa | |
| (10) | Ādityavāra Kathā | Muni Sakalkīrti | Composed in the year 1687 A.D. |
| (11) | Sītā Satu | Bhagwatidāsa | Completed in the year 1627 A.D. |
| (12) | Śil Battīsī | Bhagwatidāsa | 17th Century |
| (13) | Rājmati Gīta | " | ,, |
| (14) | Argalapur Jina Vandanā | " | " |
| (15) | Rāja _v ālī | ** | , , |

A short description of some of these works have been made in the VI Chapter of the book. The manuscript of Krisna Rukamani Veli of Prithviraja contains 308 stanzas and the manuscripts of Madhumālti Kathā contain 916 verses.

(51) GRANTHA BHANDAR OF JAINA TEMPLE SETHJI

The collection of the manuscripts is an ordinary one. The total number is about three hundred. It seems that most of the manuscripts were either purchased or brought from the Śāstra Bhandār of others temples. There are no rare and early manuscripts here.

GRANTHA BHANÇĀRS OF BĪKĀNER DIVISION.

Bīkāner¹ State was founded by Bīkājī in the year 1488 A.D. Previously the area consisted of several small political regions under Sankhlās Parmārs, Cauhāns, Bhātts and Jāts. But after conquering all of them Bīkājī founded a state which was called Bīkāner after his name². From Jodhpur among other warriors Bothra Vatsarāaja and Vaid Lākhansijī who were Oswal Jainas came with Bīkājī. Vatsa Rāja³ was the Minister of Rao Lūṇakaran. Thus in the Bīkāner state from very beginning the Jainas generally conducted the administration of the state and the rulers had great confidence in them.

Apart from the political importance, Bīkāner City has also its importance from the literary point of view. There are collections of about 50 to 60 thousand manuscripts only in Bīkāner out of which about 20 thousand manuscripts are in the collection of Anūpa Samskrit library and the remaining 40 thousand manuscripts are collected in the Jaina Bhandārs. In this big collection of manuscripts, there are hundreds of manuscripts which are rare and available only in these Bhandārs. Besides the huge collection there are manuscripts which are illustrated and written with golden and silver ink. The illustrated Vigyapti literature is also in their collections. In this Division all are Swetāmbār Grantha Bhandārs and no Digambar Grantha Bhandār are there. The following are the Grantha Bhandārs in the city.

(52) VRIHAT GYANA BHANDĀR

The collection of the manuscripts has been placed in Barā Upāsrā in in Rāngadi kā Cauka. Before the year 1901 there was no such Bhandar here, but

- 1. The History of Bikaner State Part I, by G, S. Ojha p. 96
- 2. Ibid. page 91
- 3, Bikāner Jainā Lekha Sangraha page: 2
- 4. Manuscript Catalogue preserved in Abhaya Jaina Granthalaya Bikaner.

due to the continuous persuation and hard labour of Śrī Yati Himatūji, this great Bhandār could be established. The whole Bhandār consists of eight indivīdual collections which were placed in different Almirahs. The names of the Srāvakas who presented their manuscripts to this Bhandār, have been also written on the different almirahs. This collection was made from the following Bhandārs.

(1) DĀNA SĀGAR BHANŅĀR :-

Danasāgar placed the manuscripts in this Bhandār so this collection was named Dānasāgar Bhandār after him. There are 2792 manuscripts in the collection which have been placed in 74 bundles. The collection is very rich and has manuscripts on various subjects. Most of the manuscripts are written in Samskrit. Prākrit, Hindī and Rājasthānī. The following are some of the tmportant manuscripts:—

- (a) Bhagwatī Tripāṭhavratti:—by Abhayadeva Sūri. The commentary was written in the year 1071 A.D.
- (b) Ācārānga Trīpātha Vrātti :—Śīlāngācārya. The commentary was composed in Śāk Samvat 798.
- (c) Visāldeva Cauhān Rāsa:—This was composed by Nalha, This is a historical work which describes the life of Visāl Deva and his wife Rānī Rājmatī. This is a very old book in Hindi. The manuscript is incomplete having only 23 pages.
- (d) Pingalā Śāstra:—written by Hamīra in Rajasthānī language. The work was composed in Samvat 1786 (1729 A.D). It deals with the subject of Prosody.
- (e) Tapāgacha Paṭṭāvali:—contains a complete list of Sādhus who have been in the Tapāgacha, a branch of Swetāmbara Jainas.

(?) MAHIMĀ BHAKTI BHANDĀR :—

Mahimā Bhakti was a Jaina Sādhu belonging to Khartargacha. He was the disciple of the famous scholar Upādhyāya Kšema Kalyāṇa. There are several rare manuscripts available in the collection which are preserved as bundles. The total number of manuscripts is about 3000 which are placed in 89 bundles. All the manuscripts are on paper except a few ones. The earliest palm leaf manuscript is ŚRĀVAKA PRATIKRAMANA which bears the date of Saṃvat 1309 (1252 A.D.). The manuscript copy of the ĀVAŚYAKA VRATTI called DURGĀ PADA VYĀKHYĀ commented by Muni Śekhar Sūri

in Samvai I471 (1414 A.D.) is dated 1453 A.D. The manuscript of NAV VILAS NĀṬAK was written by Rāmacadra in Samskrit. The manuscript of this NĀṬAK is of the year 1516 A.D. SANDEH DOHĀVALI composed by Jinadatta in Hindī bears the Samvat 1495 (1438 A.D). The author was the disciple of Jayasāgar Upādhyāya.

(3) VARDHAMĀN BHANŅĀR :--

The collection of the Vardhamān Bhandār is valuable from the point of view of Hindī and Samskrit manuscripts, All the manuscripts are on paper. The following are the important manuscripts:—

- 1. Nāma Mālā:—of Kavi Banārsīdāsa of 17th century. This is a book on Lexicography in Hindī.
- Sangrahņī Ṭabbā Tīkā:—The commentary called Ṭabbā was made by Śrī Candra Sūri. This is an illustrated manuscript written in Prākrit.
- 3. Sripāla Caritra:—composed by Ratna Šekhar in Sāmvat 1428 (1371 A.D.) in Prākrit language.
- 4. Vikrama Sena Caupai:—This is a work of Mānāsāgar Kavi who composed it in Samvat 1724 (1667 A.D.). The manuscript was copied in the year 1795 A.D.
- 5. Suvā Bahattarī:—By Devadatta Bhatta. This book deals with 72 small stories in Hindī told by a parrot.
- 6. Gorā Bādal Caupai:—written in Hindī by Hema Ratana. It describes the famous battle which was fought between Allāuddin and Ratnasena king of Chittor.

(4) ABHAYA SĪNGH BHANŅĀR :-

The whole collection was presented by Śrī Abhaya Singh who was a Jaina Srāvaka of Bīkāner. There are 23 bundles which contain 427 manuscripts. All the manuscripts are on paper. Some of the important manuscripts are as follows:—

1. Viveka Vilāsa:—by Jinadattā Sūrī. The manuscript was copied in Samvat 1460 i.e, 1403 A. D. It is in Samskrit.

- 2. Dholāmārū:—By Kuśallābha. This is a Rājasthāni work composed in Samvat 1617 (1560 A.D.) at Jaisalmer. It describes a famous love story of Dholā and his wife Māru.
- 3. Singhāsana Battīsī:—Gyāncandra. The work was composed in Samvat 1598 (1541 A.D.). It describes 32 stories connected with the throne of King Vikram. The manuscript is of 1621 A.D.
- 4. Sripāla Rāsa:—This is a work of Sri Gyāna Sāgar who was the student of Srī Guṇa Deva Sūri. The work was composed in Samwat 1531 (1474 A.D.) and describes the life of Srīpāla.

(5) JINA HARŚA ŞŪŖI BHANDĀR

The total number of the bundles is 26 in which there are 295 manuscripts. All the manuscripts are on paper. The collection is an ordinary one.

(6) BHUWAN BHAKTI BHANDAR

The total number of the bundles here is 14 in which 476 manuscripts are placed. The collection is an ordinary one but there are several manuscripts which are old as well as rare. The following are some of the important manuscripts:—

- Kumār Sambhava Vritti:—by Laxmi Vallabha Gaņi in Samskrit. It is a commentary on the famous Samskrit Kāvya, Kumār Sambhava of Kālidāsa. The manuscript was copied in Samvat 1822 (1765).
- 2. Rājā Bhoja Bhānumati Kathā:—This is a Rājasthāni work. The name of the author is not written but it describes the story of King Bhoja and Bhānumati.

(7) RĀMA CANDRA BHANDĀR

The total number of manuscripts is 300 placed in 9 bundles. The collection is an ordinary one. Most of the works are in Hindī which were copied recently.

(8) MAHARA CANDRA BHANDĀR

The total number of manuscripts is 295 in 8 bundles.

(53) BHANDĀR OF ŚRĪ PŪJYA JĪ 1

The collection pertains to Ācāryas of VRIHAT KHARTAR GACHA in the Barā Upāsraya. The Bhandār was quite in disorder previously but due to great labour of Śri Agarcand Nāhtā., the Bhandār was put in order and the manuscripts were numbered and placed subject wise. There are 99 bundles which contain 3115 manuscripts. Apart from these there are 100 Gutakās in the collection which contains manuscripts written in Prākrit, Saṃskrit, Hindī and Rājasthānī language.

(54) JAINA LAXMI MOHAN ŚĀLĀ GYĀNA BHANDĀR²

This Bhandar was established in Samwat 1951 (1894 A.D.) by Srī Mohanlal who was the teacher of Upādhyāya Jaicand. The collection of the manuscripts in this Bhandar is very good and the total number of the manuscripts is 2527 which are placed in 121 bundles. There are also 200 Guṭakās. All the manuscripts are on paper. The collection of Āgama works is very important in this Bhandar.

(55) GYĀN BHANŅĀR OF KŚEMA KALYĀŅJĪ³

This Bhandar is in the Upasraya of Suganji. A catalogue of 715 manuscripts was prepared by Hari Sagar Sūrī some time back. The manuscript of Khartara Gacha Gurāvali is also included in the collection. This book is a rare one and for the first time was discovered in the collection. This gives a complete history of the works of Khartargacha a sect of Swetambar Jaina Sādhus.

(56) BOHAROUNI KĪ SERI KĀ UPĀSRAYA KĀ BHANDĀR⁵

The collection exists in the Seri of the Boharas near the Rangadi. The Upāsraya pertains to the followers of Kśema Kalyānji. There are 805 manuscripts in the collection. All the manuscripts are on paper. The collection is important from the point of view of Prākrit and Samskrit manuscripts.

(57) CHATTI BĀI KĀ UPĀSRAYA KĀ BHANDĀR⁶

The Bhandar is in the Nahta Guvada. There are about 300 manuscripts in the collection which are an ordinary one.

^{1.} Manuscript Catalogue preserved in Abhaya Jaina Granthalaya Bīkaner.

^{2. &}amp; 3. Ibid.

^{4.} Publised by Bhartiya Vidya Bhawan, Bombay.

^{5. &}amp; 6. Manuscripts Catalogue preserved in Abhaya Jaina Granthālaya, Bīkāner.

(58) PUNNĪ BĀI KĀ UPĀSARAYA KĀ BHANŅĀR¹

This collection contains 297 manuscripts duly catalogued and placed in serial number and subjectwise.

(59) COLLECTION OF MAHOPĀDHYĀYA RĀMALĀL²

There are 507 manuscripts in the collection. All the manuscripts are systematically arranged. This is a personal collection of Śri Rāmalāl. Most of the manuscripts are on the subjects like Siddhānta, Purāṇa and Carita.

(60) GRANTHA BHANDĀR OF KHARTARĀCĀRYA BRANCH3

The Bhandar belongs to small branch of Khartargacha. There is a good collection of manuscripts numbering 1895. A catalogue in which only names of the manuscripts are given. is available in the Bhandar. The manuscripts are placed in serial order.

(61) HEMACANDRA LIBRARY+

The Grantha Bhandar is in the Upasara of Payacand Gacha under the control of Bathiyas. This Bhandar contains a good collection of the manuscripts numbering 1177. All the manuscripts are written on paper. A catalogue of the manuscripts has been prepared and are placed duly numbered. They are mostly written in Samskrit, Prakrit, and Hinda and deal with both secular and religious subjects. The majority of the manuscripts are on Agama, Sidhant, Purana and Katha literature,

(62) ABHAYA JAINA GRANTHĀLAYAS

The Granthālaya was founded by late Sri Śankaradāsa Nāhtā in the memory of his second son Abhayarāja Nāhtā 35 years ago. During these years by continuous labour a huge collection of manuscripts numbering more than 15.000 has been made. Apart from the individual manuscripts there are more than 500 Guṭakās in the collection which contains several works copied in them. Manuscripts duly numbered and registered are 13.188 and about 2,000 are still lying unregistered and without number. The list is quite exhaustive and gives a complete picture of the

^{1.} Makuscripts Catalogue preserved in Abhaya Jaina Granthālaya Bīkāner.

^{2.} to 5. Ibid.

manuscripts. Subjectwise list also abailable. The works are arranged in chronological order. First of all, the name of the main work is given and then its commentaries and Avacūries are mentioued. Last of all the Hindī translation works on the original work are given. Thus the manuscripts are placed in scientific way. This is perhaps the biggest collection of the manuscripts ever collected privately not only in Rājasthān but in India also.

The manuscripts are available on palm leaves as well as on paper but the number of the palm leaves manuscripts is small. Manuscripts are written in several languages such as Samskrit, Prākrit, Apabhramśa, Rājasthānī, Marāthī and Gujarātī. They deal with various subjects. The collection is not limited to the manuscripts or works written by the Jaina authors but there are hundreds of the works composed by the non-Jaina authors also. There is a good collection of historical works, letters of the Jaina Acāryas and Yatīs, letters written by and to the rulers and their Farmāns, Indian Calendar since Samwat 1701 (1644 A.D) and Vanśāvalīs of the Oswal Jainas etc. There is also a small collection of old photos, illustrated bulletins, illustrated letters written on the cloth, coins, ink-pots manuscripts written in golden ink and silver ink etc.

(63) SETHIYĀ LIBRARY¹

There are 1212 manuscripts in this library. Most of the manuscripts pertain to Āgama literature written in Prākrit. The library is quite systematic and the manuscripts are placed in serial number.

(64) GOVINDA PUSTAKĀLAYA²

There is a good number of manuscripts in this library. The total number is near about 1110. All are on paper, systematically arranged and registered. The library was established by Govindarāma Bhikamcand Bhansāli. The Bhandār is also private one.

(65) COLLECTION OF ŚRĪ MOTIRĀMA KHAZĀNCĪ3

This important collection of the manuscripts belongs to Śrī Moti Ram who is fond of collecting the manuscripts and other artistic materials. The total number of the manuscripts with Śrī Khemcandji is about 5000. The manuscripts have been

^{1.} Manuscripts Catalogue Preserved in Abhaya Jaina Granthālaya Bīkāner.

^{2. &}amp; 3. Ibid.

collected from various points i.e. historical, religious and, linguistic. Some manuscripts are illustrated also. Stī Moti Rāma takes much interest in the collection of the manuscripts. The manuscripts are systematically arranged.

Apart from these Bhandars mentioned above there are following Bhandars more in the City:—

- (1) Kushal Cand Jaina Pustakālaya
- (2) Collection of Yati Mohanlal.
- (3) Collection of Śrī Lachirāma.
- (4) Sāstra Bhandar in Upāsraya of Kochar.
- (5) Collection of Yati Jayakarāja.
- (6) Collection of Mānmal Kothārī.
- (7) Collection of Mangal Cand Mālukā.
- (8) Collection of Śrī Bhanwarlāl Rāmpuriā.
- (9) Collection of Śrī Mangalcand Jhālok.
- (10) Collection of Šrī Rao Gopal Singh Vaid.

The total number of the manuscripts preserved in Bīkāner is more than 40,000. Some of the manuscripts which are rare have not been found in other Bhandārs is given in Appendix III.

(66) GRANTHA BHANDĀR OF YATI RIDHIVARJI, CURU¹

The Grantha Bhandār of Yati Ridhivarji is situated in Curu. It is also a good Bhandār containing 3785 manuscripts. All the manuscripts are on paper and systematically arranged and numbered. There is a good collection of both, religious and secular works. Some of the important manuscripts which are in the Bhandār are follows:—

- 1 Chandomanjarī:—by Gopaldāsa. The work is in Hindī.
- 2. Lalcandī Padhati :--by Lāl Cand Yati. It is a Jyotişa work written in Samskrit.

^{1.} Manuscripts Catalogue preserved in Abhaya Jaina Granthalaya Bikaner.

- 3. Kāvya Kaustubha:—by Vaidya Bhūṣan. The manuscript was copied in the year 1827 A.D.
- 4. Prathavī Rāja Rāso:—by Mahākavi Candabardāī. The date of manuscript is not given. It contains 62 folios. There is also another manuscript of this work in the Grantha Bhandār at serial number 1597. It contains 45 folios.
- 5. Alankāra Śekhar:—by Keśava Misra. The manuscript was written in the year 1622 A.D.

(67) Grantha Bhandar of Jaina Śwetambara Terapanthī Sabhā Sardarśahar

The Grantha Bhandar of Sardarshar belongs to Terapanthi Sect of Śwetambara Jainas. There are 1471 manuscripts in the Grantha Bhandar. There is a of Kalpasūtra written in Golden ink. This manuscript was written in the year 1477 A.D. The Bhandar has a good collection of Hinda works. Some of the outstanding manuscripts are as follows:—

- 1. Amar Sena Rāsa: -This was composed in the year 1425 A.D.
- 2. Kumār Sambhava:—by Kalidāsa. The manuscript was written in Samvat 1514 (1457 A.D.)
- 3. Commentary on Naisadha Kāvya in Samskrit. The manuscript was copied in the year 1471 A.D.
- 4. Kumārpāla Rāsa:—This is a manuscript which deals with the life of Mahārājā Kumārpāla of Gujrat. The work was composed in the year 1425 A.D.

There are also some Grantha Bhandars in the villages & towns. The names of which are as under:—

- (1) Collection of Yati Sumermal, Bhīnasar.
- (2) Collection of Bahādur Singha Bānṭhiyā, Bhīnasar.
- (3) Śwetāmbara Terāpanthī Pustakālaya, Gangānagar.
- (4) Collection of Yāti Kiśanlāl, Kālu.

^{1.} Manuscript Catalogue preserved in Abhaya Jain Granthālaya Bīkāner.

- (5) Collection of Khartargacha Yati Dudhacanda, Sujāngarh.
- (6) Dānmal Coprā Library, Sujāngarh.
- (7) Surāņa Library, Curu.
- (8) Collection of Śricand Gadhaiyā, Sardarśahar.
- (9) Collection of Dulicand Sethiā, Sardarśahar.
- (10) Collection of Tärä Cand Ţätlera, Hanumängarh.
- (11) Vaidon kā Pustakālaya, Ratangarh.

These are the private collections and they contain more or less the same manuscripts which are useful for their Swādhyaya purpose.

GRANTHA BHANDARS OF JODHPUR DIVISION

The Grantha Bhandars of Jodhpur Division include the Bhandars of former Jodhpur and Jaisalmer states. From the importance of the Grantha Bhandars, this division possesses the Bhandars of Nagaur and Jaisalmer which are not only famous in Rajasthan but in India also. These are the richest Bhandars in India.

(68) BHAŢŢĀRAKĪYA GRANTHA BHANŅĀR-NĀGAUR

Nāgaur which was famous by the name of Nāgapur, Ahipur, is an ancient city of Rājasthān. It was the capital of the rulers of the Nāga dynasty in the ancient time. According to Bijoliā inscription Ahi-Chattrapur was the capital of Jāngal Deśa and the fore-fathers of Cauhānas were the rulers of this area. From here the Cauhāna Rājpūts made Sāmbhar their Capital. During the Muslim period, the city witnessed many ups and downs. Some time the Muslim emperors destroyed the city, its temples and other historical places but at other times the Rājpūt Kings reconstructed these temples. There are several inscriptions written in the time of Mohammad Tuglaq. Akbar, Śāhjahān and Aurangzeb². After the down fall of Moghul Empire it came under the Jodhpur State and before merger into Rājasthān it was a prominent district of the same.

Nāgaur also remained a great literary centre of Jainas. Nāgaur has been first mentioned in Dharmopadeśamālā by Jayasingh Sūri (9th century). In the 11th

^{1.} The History of Jodhpur State, part I page. 40-41

^{2.} Ibid.

century various Jaina spiritual leaders and saints such as Jina Vallabh Sūri and Jinadatta Sūri visited this place². This was the centre of Swetāmbar Jaina Sect.

Vādideva Sūri² was the founder of Nāgapurīya Tapāgacha. In the 15th century there had been Pandit Medhāvī, a Samskrit scholar and writer of several books. He completed his Dharmopadeśa Srāvakācāra in Nāgaur in Samvat 1541 (1484 A.D.). He described Nāgaur as the capital of Sapād Lakśa Pradeśa.

सपादलक्षे विषयेति सुन्दरे, श्रियापुरे नागपुरं समस्ति तत् । पेरोजखाना नृपति प्रयाति, न्यायेन शौर्येण रिपून् निहन्ति च ॥१८॥

-Praśasti Sangrah p. 24

In Samvat 1581 (1524 A.D.) Bhattāraka³ Ratana Kīrti established an independent Bhattārak Gāḍi and also established a great Śāstra Bhandār which at present is regarded the greatest Śāstra Bhandār in Rājasthān. Since then Nāgaur became a great literary centre for both the sects of Jainas. From the 15th to 18th century this city remained a centre of Jaina literary activities and thousands of mannscripts were copied here. Some of them are still in the Grantha Bhandārs of Nagaur itself and others are in the various other Bhandārs of Rājasthān.

Since the establishment of Grantha Bhandār, there had been several Bhattārakas such as Bhuwan Kīrti (1529 A.D.), Dharma Kīrti (1533 A.D.) Viśāl Kīrti (1544 A.D.), Laxmi Candra (1554 A.D.) Nemi Candra (1593 A.D.), Yashah Kīrti (1615 A.D.), Bhānu Kīrti (1633 A.D.), Śrī Bhuṣana (1648 A.D.), etc. who took great interest in incresing the number of the manuscripts and also took great care for the safe preservation of the same. The manuscripts were got written by the householders and were presented to Bhattārakas at the end of the religious ceremonies or at the time of their visit to the places.

Thus the collection of manuscript in this Grantha Bhandār increased day by day. This work was continued upto end of the 19th century without any difficulty because from the collection it appears that during the past 100 years a very few manuscripts were written and placed in the Grantha Bhandār.

More care was given to preservation than to the collection itself. For years these manuscripts were not often seen freely by public. Just at present even

^{1.} Anekānta Delhi Vol. II Kiran 2.

^{2.} Ibid.

^{3.} Bhattāraka Sampradāya by V. P. Johrapurkar page. 121.

about 15 years they were not placed in the Almirahs but were kept in the bundles of cloth. First of all every manuscript after keeping it between the two wooden plates, was bounded by the cloth string and then about a hundred or more manuscripts duly kept under Vesthanas were placed in the big thick bags of cloth. They were tightened in such a way that even air could not be allowed to enter. The writer himself saw the system of pressing the manuscripts and opened them for the purpose of seeing and cataloguing.

The total number of the manuscripts collected in the Grantha Bhandār is more than 14 thousand out of which 12 thousand are the individual manuscripts and two thousands are Gutakās. Such a huge collection of the manuscripts is not available in any other Bhandār in Rājasthān. All the manuscripts are written on paper and there is no manuscript even in this big Bhandār written on palm leaves. The collection is valuable. Most of the manuscripts are quite old. Some of them have been written from 14th to 18th century.

Manuscripts of various subjects have been collected in this Grantha Bhandār. They may be divided into religious and secular ones. Religious subjects such as works on Āgam, Sidhānt, Purāṇa, Kathā, Carita, Pūja, Stotra, Vidhān etc., and secular subjects such as Kāvya. Drama, Āyurveda, Jyotiṣa Mathematics, Sangeeta, Rāsa, Alankar and Canda etc. Thus we can say that the books on all the subjects are available in this Śāstra Bhandār. In this respect this is one of the best Grantha Bhandārs not only in Rajssthan but in India also.

The manuscripts are mainly in five languages i.e. Rajasthānī, Samskrit, Prākrit, Apabhramśa and Hindī.

SAMSKRIT MANUSCRIPTS

The manuscripts written in Samskrit language may be divided into following categories:—

- (a) Rare Manuscripts
 - (b) Old Manuscripts
 - (c) Common Manuscripts.

(a) RARE MANUSCRIPTS :-

The manuscripts such as (I) KĀVYA MANJARĪ. (2) CARITA SĀRA by Ratna Bhūṣaṇa (3) Saṁskrit commentaries on SUDARŚAN CARIYŪ and (4) PAUM CARIYU, (5) RAGHUVANŚA ṬĪKĀ by Haridāsa (6) as VIDAGDHA MUKHA MADAN by Aika Nātha, (7) SĀRASWATA ṬIKA by Mathur Misra (8) VRAT

RATNĀKAR TĪKĀ by Kriśna Sharma and (9) CANDRONAMĪLAN TĪKĀ by Rūpcand are some of the rare manuscripts which are not available in other Bhandārs.

(b) OLD DATED MANUSCRIPTS.

There are many manuscripts which were written in the 15th and 16th centuries and can be used in editing the books, The manuscripts of (1) SĀGĀR DHARMĀMRITA by Aśādhara (2) SARWĀRTHA SIDDHI by Pūjyapāda (3) KŚATRA CŪŅAMAŅI by Vādībha Singha (4) TRAILOKYA DĪPAKA by Vāmadeva (5) ṢODAŚA KĀRAŅA VIDHĀNA by Abhra Panḍit (6) YAŚODHAR CARITRA by Sakal Kīrti, (7) ŚIŚUPĀLA VADH by Māgha Kavi, (8) DRAVYA SANGRAH ṬĪKĀ by Brahmadeva (9) CARITA SĀRA by Ratna Bhuṣana and (10) KIRĀTĀRJ-UNĪYA by Bhārvi are some of the old manuscripts which are housed in this Bhanḍār.

PRĀKRIT & APABHRAMŚA MANUSCRIPTS.—

Manuscripts written in Prākrit and Apabhramśa languages are in abundance. In this respect the collection of this Grantha Bhandār may be compared with the collection of the Āmer Śāstra Bhandār, Jaipur. Except the Dhaval, Jayadhaval, and Mahādhaval most of the literature written in Prākrit and Apabhramśa is available in this Bhandār. There are a few manuscripts which are not preserved in this Bhandār. The earliest dated manuscript is SAMAYASĀRA which was copied in the year 1203 A.D. The manuscript of MŪLĀCĀRA is also of 1338 A.D. The other old manuscripts are such as GOMMATASĀRA by Nemi Candra. SAMAYASĀRA TĪKĀ by Amrita Candra and PRAVACANSĀRA by Ācārya Kunda-Kunda,

Among the Apabhramsa manuscripts VARĀNGA CARIYU by Tejpāl, VASUDHĪR CARIYU by Śrī Bhuṣana, SAMAYAKTVA KAUMUDI by Hari Singh and NEMI NĀHA CARIYU by Dāmodara etc. are some of them. Other manuscripts written in Apabhramsa belong to 14th to 17th century. The peculiarity of this Bhandār is that there are more than one and in some cases upto 15 manuscripts are available of several works.

HINDI MANUSCRIPTS

The manuscript of NEMINĀTHA RĀSA by Bhāu, JAGARŪPA VILĀS by Jagrūpa, KRIPĀŅA PACCĪSĪ by Kalha, SARASWATI LAXMI SAMVĀDA by Mandalācārya Šrī Bhūṣaṇa, HARI CANDRA RĀJĀ KĪ CAUPAI (1820), RĀSA MANI MĀLĀ by Mahātmā Lālachand, KRIYĀ KOṢA BHĀṢĀ by Sukha Deva, ĀRDRA KUMĀR CAUPADĪ by Ānand Bhagat and VIKRAMA SENA CAUPAI by Mānsāgar etc. are some of the rare manuscripts in the Bhanḍār. The collection of Hindī works is mainly in Guṭakās

There are Historical works on the life of Bhattarakas in Ḥindī which give new account of them. Such works are not easily available, There are the songs written in praise of the Bhattarkas. The names of such songs are as follows:—

- (1) Nemicandra Gīta.
- (2) Viśālkīrti Gīta.
- (3) Sahasra Kīrti Gīta.
- (4) Érī Bhūşaņa Gīta.
- (5) Jaskīrti Gīta.
- (6) Dharmakīrti Gīta.
- (7) Gunacand Gita.

The Prasastis written at the end of the manuscripts are also an important one. These Prasastis are of two kinds. Prasastis which are written by the authors themselver giving their full description, date of composition, Ruler's name, place where composed, and the circumstances under which the work was written. The Prasastis written by the copyists give full account of the family of the persons by whom the manuscript was got written. In such Prasastis the Ruler's name and the name of the place is also given. Such Prasastis serve a good purpose for historical and social surveys.

The Grantha Bhandar has not been searched out thoroughly, a catalogue giving the names of the manuscripts, author's name, Bhasa, Date of composition. Date of Copying etc. have been prepared recently by Śrī Satīśa Candra and Yatīndra Kumār Saśtrī. A list of manuscripts copied in the 14th, 15th and 16th centuries are given in the Appendix II.

JAINA GRANTHA BHANDĀRS-JAISALMER

The Jāina Grantha Bhandārs of Jaisalmer have long been famous throughout India. These Bhandārs are called most valuable manuscript collections preserved in India. They drew attention to their importance of not Indian Scholars but also of Western Scholars. As a matter of fact Western Scholars realised their importance for the first time very recently. Among the Western Scholars Colonel James Tod was the first scholar who drew attention to their importance, in his book "TRAVELS IN WESTERN INDIA" (1829) a delightful work which deals largely with the sacred places of the Jainas.

After 45 years of Colonel Tod's visit, Dr. Buhler and Dr. Jacobi examined these Bhandārs. He described in India Antiquary that a large portion the Bhandār consists of palm leaf manuscripts dated from 1140 to 1340 A.D. He was under the impression that he had seen all the contents of the Bhandārs but as a matter of fact he could not see more than 400 manuscripts. Dr. Buhler in his communication to India Antiquary remarks:—

"In Jaisalmer, which was founded about the middle of the 12th century there is a large colony of Jainas. A temple was built under the pontificate of Jina Bhadra Sūri, to which were gradully added six other temples. Through this temple and the wealth of the Jaina community, Jailsalmer has obtained a high fame as one of the principal seats of the Jaina faith. Especially, however, is the renown of the Bhandār every where celebrated which according to the statements of Gujaratis surpasses all similar Bhandārs in the world."

About 30 years after Dr. Buhler's visit, a prominent Indian scholar Prof. Sridhar R. Bhandārkar visited the Bhandārs of Jaisalmer. He gave full account of his visit in the "Reports of a record tour in search of manuscripts in Rajputāna and Central India in 1904-5 and 1905-6 and which was published in year 1909 A.D. At the same time the Jaina Śwetāmbara Conference deputed Pandit Hīralāl Hansrāja for preparing the catalogue of the Bhandārs. The catalogue which he prepared was used in the book "Jaina Granthāwalī" published in the year 1909 A.D.

Several attempts for preparing the catalogue were also made after the publication of Jaina Granthāwalī. Among those are the names of Muni Hansvijaijī and Jina Kripā Candra Sūri and Śrī C. D. Delal. But Delal was the only scholar who had the credit to place the importance of the Bhandārs before the scholars. He was the librarian of Central Library, Baroda, He was sent by Mahārājā of Baroda in 1916 and he carefully examined all the contents of the big Bhandār and of three other Bhandārs. This has been published already in the year 1923 A.D. by the Central Library Baroda.

Among the recent scholars the names of Muni Jina Vijaya, Śrī Nāhta and Muni Punya Vijaya are well known, Muni Jina Vijaya along with five scholars and some copyists remained there for five months and got copied about two hundred manuscripts. He wrote a good description of the collection in third volume of Bhārtiya Vidyā, Bombay. Muni Punya Vijayji also remained here for about 16 months, the largest time given by a scholar so far. He got microphone of 214 manuscripts and prepared a complete calalogue again.

Jaisalmer has been regarded as one of the safest place of Rājasthān. Jaisalmer was founded by King Jaisal in Saṃvat 1215 (1158 A.D.). But the manuscripts which are in the collection of the Bhandār are earlier than its time of foundation. Since its foundation there must have been frequent visits of Jaina Sādhus and is also certain that the Jaina Śāstra Bhandār was established from the very beginning of the city. In the 15th century Jina Bhadra Sūri who belongs to the Khartar Branch of the Śwetāmbara sect established the Grantha Bhandār in a systematic way and collected the manuscripts. Śrī Jina Bhadra Sūrī also established Śāstra Bhandār at Jālore and Nāgaur but they were destroyed by the Muslim invaders. It was his foresightedness for establishing the Grantha Bhandār at Jaisalmer.

According to Dr. Bhandārkar there are manuscripts copied in Vikram Samvat 924, 1005, 1120, 1127, 1134, 1144 and 1155 but he has stated that the time of manuscript copied in v. s. 1139 seems to be correct. But now Muni Punya Vijaya discovered the earliest manuscripf of Samvat 1117 (1060 A.D).

Though there are several manuscripts which were written in Jaisalmer but there comes no name of Jaisalmer in any of the manuscripts. There are three manuscripts which were composed in the Jaisalmer fort. They are as under:—

- 1. Salibhadra Carita: -was composed in the year 1228 A.D.
- 2. Manjjaņa Sundarī Carita:—composed in the year 1350 A.D.
- 3. Jambū Dwīpa Pragyapti:—composed in the year 1590 A.D. by Upadhyaya Punyasāgar.

There are six Jaina Grantha Bhandars in the city. Their names are as follows:—

- Brihad Gyāna Bhanḍār.
- 2. Pancano Bhandar.
- Badā Upāsraya Jaina Gyāna Bhandār.
- 4. Tapā Gacchiyā Gyāna Bhandār.
- 5. Lokā Gacchiyā Gyāna Bhandār.
- 6. Thaharu Saha Gyana Bhandar.

(69) BRIHAD GYĀNA BHANDĀR

This is one of the most important Grantha Bhandars in Rajasthan. It was founded in Samvat 1497 (1440 A.D.) by Jina Bhadra Sūri along with the temple of

Sambhavanātha founded by him in the same year. He had a great interest in establishing the Grantha Bhandārs and in his life he established several Bhandārs in India.

As already stated Jaisalmer was founded by King Jaisal in the year 1158 A.D. but this Bhandar contains manuscripts earlier than its foundation. So it is presumed that these manuscripts were brought from other parts of India, specially from Gujrat.

This Grantha Bhandar was the literary centre for the scholars like Kamal Samyama Upādhyāya who was the pupil of Jina Bhadra Sūri, wrote commentary on the Uttarādhyayana in Samvat 1544 (1487 A.D.) in the Jaisalmer Fort². Samaya Sundara who was of 17th century scholar, visited this Bhandār and praised the services of Jina Bhadra Sūri for writing the manuscripts and establishing the Grantha Bhandārs³.

There are 804 manuscripts written on palm leaves. The earliest manuscript written on palm leaves is OGHA NIRYUKTI VRATTI⁴ by Dronācārya in the year 1060 A.D. The manuscript was copied by Pāhila. Except this there are several manuscripts which were copied in the 12th and 13th century. In this respect the position of this Bhandār is topmost. There is full Āgam literature alongwith their commentaries written by several Ācāryas. Apart from this kind of literature, there

- 1. स्थाने स्थाने स्थापित ज्ञानभण्डार श्री जिनभद्रसूरि-पत्तनीय वाडी पार्श्वनाथ मन्दिर प्रणस्ति ।
- 2. भ्रम्बोधि-वारिनिधि-बाग्गशांकवर्षे । श्रीउत्तराध्ययनवृतिमिमां चकार । जैसलमेरी दुर्गे विजयदशम्यां समर्थिता सेयम्, श्रीजिनमद्रमुनीश्वरचरणस्मरग्पप्रसादेन
- 3. श्रीज्ञानकोशलेखनदक्षाः जिनभद्रसूरयोः मृख्याः । तत्पट्टे सज्जातास्ततोऽ द्युतनदिव्यगुराजाताः ।।

Sambodha Saptati Vratti

श्रग्गहिल्लपतन-जेसलमेरस्थितसमयकोशवीक्षायाः । समवसितगोप्यगम्भीरमावश्रुतनिकरसञ्चाराः ॥

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4. संवत् १११७ मंगल महाश्री ।। छ।। पाहिलेन लिखितम् । मंगल महाश्री ।

are manuscripts on Carita, Purāṇa, Kathā and Nāṭak. The works written by non-Jaina authors are also in good number and such old manuscripts written on palm leaves are not easily available even in the non-Jaina Bhanḍārs. We find the Manuscripts of Kuvalaya-Mālā, Kāvya-Mimānsā by Rāja Śekhar, Kāvyā-Darśa by Someśwar Bhaṭṭa, Kāvya Prakāśa by Mammaṭa and Naisadha Carita by Śrī Harśa copied in the 12th and 13th century.

The total number of paper manuscripts are 1704. They are not preserved as individual manuscript but in Pothīs which may be called Guṭakās. On paper also there are old manuscripts.

Some of the important manuscripts preserved in the Grantha Bhandar are as follows:—

- 1. Candraprabha Swāmi Caritra:—by Yaśodeva Sūri. It is in Prākrit and was composed by the author in the year 1121 A. D. The manuscript was copied in the year 1160 A.D.
- 2. Pauma Cariya:—Composed by Vimala Sūri. It is a Mahākāvya written in Prākrit. The manuscript is on palm leaves and was copied in the year 1141 A.D.²
- 3. Hitopadeśāmritam :—composed by Paramānand Sūri in Prākrit language. The total Gāthās are 520 and the manuscript is dated Samvat 1310 (1253 A.D.).
- 4. Vasudeva Hindī:—by Sanghadāsa Vācak written in Prākrit and deals with the life of Vāsudeva³. The manuscript is rare one.
- 5. Śāntinātha Caritam:—by Devacandra Sūri. The manuscript was written in the year 1103 A. D.⁴ This is also a rare manuscript. The work is in Prākrit prose and poem.
- संवत् १२१७ चैत्र वदि ६ बुवो ।।छ।। ब्रह्माग्गच्छे पं० स्रभयकुमारस्य ।
- 2. संवत् ११६८ कार्तिक वदि १३ ॥छ॥ महाराजाधिराजश्रीजयसिंहदेवविजयराज्ये भृगुकच्छसमवस्थितेन लिखितेयं सिल्लग्गेन ॥छ॥
- 3. वसुदेवहिन्डिप्रयमखन्डं संघदासवाचककृतम् ।
- 4. शान्तिचरितं प्राकृतगद्यपद्यमयं ११४० वर्षे हेमसरिगुरुदेव चन्द्रसूरीयम् ।

- 6. Nai-Ṣadha Ṭīkā:—by Vidyādhara². This is a commentary on Nai-sadha Caritra. It seems to have been composed in 12th or 13th century.
- 7. Chandonuśāṣan:—Jayakīrti Sūri. The manuscript was copied in Samvat 1192³ (1135 A. D). His pupil Amal Kīrti was also a scholar. He wrote Yogasāra which has been quoted in the following way:—

श्रीजयकोतिसूरीगां शिष्येगामलकीतिना । लेखितं योगसाराख्यं विद्यार्थीवामकीतिना ।।

8. Mudrā Rāksasa Nāṭak:—by Visākha Deva. The manuscript was copied in Samvat 1314 (1257 A.D.) by Āsadī son of Deyada.4

(70) PACĀNO BHANDĀR

This is a small Sāstra Bhandār. There is a collection of 42 manuscripts written on Palm leaves. Śrī C. D. Delāl has not mentioned this Bhandār in his catalogue⁵.

(71) BADĀ UPĀSRAYA JAINA GYĀNA BHANŅĀR

There is a good collection of 1019 manuscripts written on paper. This Bhandar does not possess palm leaf manuscripts. So it has also not been mentioned by C. D. Dalal in his catalogue⁶. There are several rare manuscripts in this Bhandar. Some of the important manuscripts are as follows:—

- बुद्ध्वा श्रीमुनिदेवसंज्ञविवुधात् काव्यं नवं नैपधम् ।
 टीका यदपि सोपपत्तिरचनां विधाधरो निमंमे ॥
- 2. इति जयकीतिकृती छन्दोनुशासने.....नमो देवभ्यः ..संवत् ११६२ श्रापाढ सुदि १० णनी लिखितिमदिमिति ।
- 3. संवत् १३१४ वर्षे ग्राषाढविदशनौ ग्रद्योह श्रीवामनस्थल्यां स्थित महं देयड सुत ग्रासीदीतेन पुस्तकं लिखितिमिति ।
- 4. Catalogue of Jaisalmer Bhandars published by the Central Library, Baroda in 1923.
- 5. Ibid.

- (a) Nāradīya Purāņa:—The manuscript was copied in the year 1419 A.D. by Vyāsa Janārdana son of Hariscandra at Malika Vāhaņa. It is in Samskrit.
- (b) Vīsala Rasa:—written in the Rājasthānī. The manuscript is incomplete one having only 11 folios.
- (c) Uttarādhyayana Sutra:—with commentary by Gyanasāgar Sūri. The manuscript was copied in the year 1429 A.D.²

(72) TAPĀ GACCHĪYA GYĀNA BHANŅĀR

The Tapāgachhīya Gyāna Bhanḍār when it was established, is not known. But it is a fact that in Samvat 1559 (1602 A. D) it received a good shape by Ānanda Vijayagaṇi. The Upāsraya in which the Grantha Bhanḍār is placed belongs to Hīra Vijay. This was the centre of Sādhus of Tapagacha sect. There are both the kinds of manuscripts of palm leaves and paper. But the number of palm leaves manuscript is 8 only. Some of the important manuscripts preserved in the Bhanḍār are as follows:—

- (a) Hari Vikrama Carita:—By Jayatilak. The manuscript was copied in Samvat 1415 (1358 A.D.)³
- (b) Mragāvatī Carita:—by Maladhāri Devaprabha⁴. It is written on paper.
- (c) Vāsavadattā:—by Mahākavi Subāndhu. The manuscript is on paper and was written by Kāyastha Yasodhara in the year 1411.5
- संवतु राजाश्री विकमादित्ये १४७६ वर्षे पोप सुदी १ प्रतिपदायां मूलनक्षत्रे श्रीमिलकवा-हण्स्याने ब्राह्ममूर्ते श्रीहरिष्टचन्द्रः तस्यं पुत्रेण व्यासजनार्दनेन लिखितमिदं पुस्तकं जिवमस्तु ।
- 2. संवत् १४६६ वर्षे फाल्गुन वदि १० रवी श्री डूंगरपुरे राउल श्री गङ्गाल देवराज्ये लिखिता लींबाकेन ।
- संवत् १४१५ वर्षे ग्रचीह स्तंमतीय प्रतिलेखिता ।
- 4. मलधारिश्रीदेवप्रनाचार्यविरचिते वर्मसारे मृगावतीचरित्रे पंचमी विश्राम: ।
- इति महाकविसुबन्धुविरचिता वासवदत्तािभयाना ग्राख्यायिका समाप्ता । संवन् १४६८ समये मार्गसिर वदि ४ बुववासरे लिखितं कायस्य यशोधरेगा ।

(73) LOKĀ GACCHĪYA GYĀNA BHANŅĀR

This Bhandar has been named by Śri C. D. Dalal as Śastro Bhandar of Dungar Yati, but now Muni Punya Vijaya mentions it in his catalogue as Lokagachiya Gyana Bhandar. It has eleven palm leaves manuscripts. The manuscript of Punya Sara Katha composed by Viveka Samudra in Samvat 1334 (1277 A.D.) at Jaisalmer, is an important manuscript available in the Grantha Bhandar. The collection of manuscripts was made by Dungara Yati.

(74) THĀHĀRU SĀHA GYĀNA BHANDĀR

Both Śridhar Bhandārkar and C. D. Dalal have given the name of the Bhandār as THIRU ŚĀHA but according to the inscription of the latest part of 17th century the true name seems to be THĀHĀRU. The same name has been given by Muni Puṇya Vijay in his catalogue. There are only four palm leay manuscripts and the rest of the manuscripts are on paper.

(75) HARI SĀGAR GYĀNA BHANŅĀR-LOHĀVAT

The Śāstra Bhandār of Lohāvat is one of the most famous and richest Bhandār of Rājasthān. The Śāstra Bhandār consists of fine collection of manuscripts. The total number of the manuscripts is 2110 out of which the number of Guṭakās is 87. Books written in the Samskrit, Prākrit and Hindī languages are in the majority. They deal with the subjects such as Āgama, Kāvya, Carita, Kathā, Purāṇa and Grammer Some of the important manuscripts which are in the collection are as follows:—

- 221. Rāthora Bansāvali in Hindī.
- 485. Śrangāra Śataka by Jainārain Bhaţţa in Hindī.
- 516. Samyaktva Kaumudī by Jayśekhara in Samskrit.
- 564. Sandesa Rāsaka Tippaņikā: Commentary by Laxmi Cand. Original book in Apabhramsa and cemmentary in Samskrit,
- 782. Neminātha Rāsa by Vijaydeva Sūrī in Hindī.
- 1378. Viveka Manjarī by Akhada Kavi in Hindī.

^{1.} Mānuscripts Catalogue preserved in Abhaya Jaina Granthālaya Bīkāner.

- 1457. Commentary on Meghadūta Kāvya by Kamal Kīriti in Samskrit.
- 1462. Kavi Rahasya Ţīkā by Ravi Dharma.
- 1985. Naisādha Kāvya Vritti by Jinarāja Sūri in Samskrit.
- 1986. Kāvya Prakāśa Vritti by Guņaratan Pāthak în Samskrit.

(76) ŚRĪ MAHĀVĪRĀ GYĀNA BHANDĀR, PHĀLODĪ¹

The total number of the manuscripts are 146. The first list of the manuscript was prepared in the year 1918 A. D. by Śrī Ānand Sāgarji Mahārāj and it was again prepared in the year 1924 by Śrī Ratan Muniji and the third list in the year 1937. The collection of the manuscripts is an ordinary one. The manuscripts of ŚRENIKA CARITRA by Jina Prabha Sūri in Saṃskrit is a rare one.

(77) PUNYA ŚRĪ GYĀNA BHANDĀR, PHALODĪ²

Upto the year 1916 the collection of the manuscripts was an ordinary one but in the year 1917 Śrī Ānanda Sāgar Mahāraj increased the number of the manuscripts. Old, damaged and rat-eaten portions of manuscripts were again copied. The total number of the manuscripts in the Bhandār is 365. Most of the manuscripts are of 18th and 19th century. There is a good collection of the manuscripts on the subjects like Āgama and Kathā etc. All the manuscripts are written on paper.

(78) RAJENDRA SŪRI ŚĀSTRA BHANDĀR, ĀHORE³

There is a big Śāstra Bhanḍār in Āhore which contains a large number of the manuscripts. The Śāstra Bhanḍār is under the management of Śrī Rajendra Sūri, a Jaina Yati. The total number of the bundles in which the manuscripts are placed are 252. All the manuscripts are written on paper and there is no manuscript on palm leaves. The following are the important manuscripts in the collection:—

- 1. Jainendra Vyākaraņa Vratti by Megha Vijay in Samskrit.
- 78. Naiśadha Kāvya Vratti: Commentary by an unknown author written in V.S. 1453 i.e. 1396 A.D.

^{1.} to 3. Manuscript Catalogue preserved in Abhaya Jain Granthālaya Bīkāner.

- 79. Jambu Dwīpa Pragnapti in Prākrit. The book is fully illustrated.
- 83/6. Pradyumna Caritra by Rāma Candra.

The majority of the manuscripts are in Prākrit, Samskrit and Hindī languages.

(79) JAINA ŚĀSTRA BHANŅĀR-KUCĀMANA

Kucāmana is a good city in the Nāgaur District of Rājasthān. It is situated on the Western Railway Branch which is linked from Phulera Junction to Merta Road. There are three Jaina temples in the city. All the temples have manuscripts in their collection. But the collection of the Grantha Bhandār of Ajmeri Mandir is an important one. Majority of the manuscripts are of Samskrit and Prākrit. All the manuscripts are written on paper. The main subjects on which the manuscript copies are generally available is Sidhānta. Purāṇa, Carita, Pūjā and Stotra.

Apart from these Bhandars, there are some Bhandars, under the possession of some Yatis and Sravakas also. Names of such collections are as follows:—

- (1) Collection of Bhattaraka Udaicandra-Jodhpur.
- (2) Jaina Rāstra Pustakālaya Singpole, Jodhpur.
- (3) Badrī Bhatta Rishi Kula Brahmacaryāśrama, Jodhpur.
- (4) Collection of Ramkarana Āsopa, Jodhpur.
- (5) Collection of Yati Khemcandra, Bālatora.
- (6) Collection of Sānsamal Kanţed, Pali.
- (7) Collection of Tapagachhīya Punam candra, Pachabhadrā.
- (8) Collection of Sumatisagar, Sozat.

GRANTHA BHANDĀRS OF UDAIPUR DIVISION

Udaipur remained a prominent State of Rājasthān. The city of Udaipur was founded in 1559 A.D. by Mahārāṇā Udaisingh and it is undoubtedly one of the most beautiful cities in India. A French Traveller Picine Loti called it "A DELICIOUS HALTING PLACE." The Jainas were the prominent helpers of the various

Mahārānās of Udaipur. They always supported them both in prosperity and distress, so when the city was established, Jainas from various places also came here and settled down.

From its very foundation Udaipur remained the centre of learning and literature. The Mahārānās of Udaipur also took initiative in this respect and contributed to a great extent towards the Rājasthānī litarature. The manuscript library of Mahārānā is a great treasure house for Rājasthānī and Samskrit literature. Aśādhar a famous Jaina scholar of 13th century was of Udaipur State.

There are 9 Jaina temples in the city and all of them contain manuscripts. There are several manuscripts which were copied in Udaipur and at present found in various places. Neminātha Purāṇa of Brahma Nemidatta copied in Saṃvat 1751 (1694 A.D.) and 1783 (1726 A.D.) at Udaipur were placed in Āmer Śāstra Bhanḍār, Jaipur. Syādavādamanjarī copied in Saṃvat 1797 (1740 A.D.) was placed in the Śāstra Bhanḍār of Jaina temple Badhicand, Jaipur. Pānḍava Purāṇa of Bhaṭṭāraka Śubha Candra was copied in Saṃvat 1693 (1636 A.D.) in the Śāntinātha temple, Udaipur. Ādipurāṇa written by Ācārya Jinasena was copied in Saṃvat 1730 (1673 A.D.). Poet Daulata Rāma Kāslīwal who lived here for about thirty years wrote various books in Hindī He mentioned the name of Udaipur in his VASUNANDI ŚRĀVAKĀCĀRA BHAṢ¹.

(80) ŚĀSTRA BHANDĀR OF SĀMBHAVANATHA TEMPLE, UDAIPUR

Jaina Temple of Sāmbhavanātha is one of the oldest temples of Udaipur City. It has a very good Śāstra Bhanḍār which possesses 517 manuscripts, written from 15th century to 20th century. The earliest manuscript available in the Śāstra Bhanḍār is LAGHU JĀTAKA ṬĪKĀ of Bhattotpal which was copied in Samvat (1408 A.D.) and the latest manuscript copied in Samvat 1965 (1908 A.D.) is Solahakāraṇa Vidhān of Ṭek Cand in Hindī. In this way we find here manuscripts written in last 500 years.

The collection of the manuscripts is very rich from the point of view of Hindī manuscripts and there are more than 25 Hindī works which have come to light for the first time. Among such rare manuscripts following are remarkable.

 Sītā Śīla Rāsa Patākā Guṇaveli: -by Ācārya Jaya Kīrti composed in Samvat 1604 (1547 A.D). The manuscript is an original copy written by the author.

^{1.} Prasasti Sängrah of Amer Sästra Bhandar, Jaipur p. 255.

- 2. Rājula Patrikā: by Soma Kavi. It is a letter written by Rājula to Lord Neminātha in Hindī.
- 3. Rohinī Prabandha:-by Brahma Vastupāla written in Samvat 1654 (1597 A.D). It is an short story of Rohini Vrata.
 - 4. Hanūmān Carita Rāsa: By Brahma Gyāna Sāgar. It was composed in Samvat 1630 (1573 A.D) in Paluwā city and describes the life of Hanumān according to Jaina mythology.
 - Anirudha Harana or Uṣā Harana: -written by Ratan Bhūṣana Sūri.
 It describes the life of Anirudha who was the grand son of
 Śrī Kriṣṇa. The manuscript was copied in Samvat 1699
 (1642 A.D).
 - 6. Bhattaraka Sakal Kīrti Rāsa:—written by Sāmal who was also a pupil Sakal Kīrti. It is in Hindi and describes the life of Bhattaraka Sakal Kīrti and Bhattarak Bhawan kīrti. It is a historical work.
 - 7. Sanat Kumār Rāsa: -written by Pāsa Cand in Samvat 1677 (1620 A.D).
 - 8. Mallinātha Stavan :- by Dharma Singh in Samvat 1697 (1640 A.D.).
 - 9. Among Samskrit manuscripts Chanda Ratnākara Tīkā is an important work. It is a work on metres.
- 10. Jyotişa Grantha: by Aśādhar, a famous Samskrit scholar of 13th century.

The main subjects on which the manuscripts are found are religious as well as secular one. Among secular subjects, Purāṇa, Rāsa, Philosophy and Kathā are more important.

(81) GRANTHA BHANDAR OF AGARWAL JAINA TEMPLE

There is also a good collection of the manuscripts in the Grantha Bhandār of this temple. The total number of the manuscripts is 388 including Gutakās. There are a majority of Hindī manuscripts and among them also the number of Rāsas are more. The Bhandār possesses manuscripts of the 14th century. The earliest written manuscript is SARWĀRTH SIDHI of Pūjyapāda copied in Samvat 1370 (1327 A.D.). It was written in Delhi which was called Yoginīpur at

that time. The main subjects on which the manuscripts are available on Jaina Sidhant, Purana and Rasas. Some of the rare manuscripts are as follows:—

- 1. Cārudatta Prabandha:-of Kalyāna Kīrti composed in Samvat 1692 (1635 A.D.).
- 2. Mahāpurāna Kī Caupai :-by Gangādāsa. He was the son of Parwata Dharmārthī, who was himself a Hindī scholar.
- 3. Lonka Mata Nirākaraņa Rāsa: by Sumati Kīrti. It is a work in Hindī which contradicts the Lonkāmata.
- 4. Aklanka Yati Rāsa: by Jai Kīriti composed in Samvat 1667 (1610 A.D). It describes the life and achievements of Aklank, a famous Jaina scholar and Ācārya of 6th century.
- 5. Sudarśana Sethanī Caupai :-by Lāl Kavi. It was composed in Samvat 1636 (1579 A.D).
- Jinadatta Rāsa: -by Ratan Bhuṣana in Hindī.
- 7. Gomāṭṭa Swāmī Caupai:-by Muni Jasakīrti composed in Samvat 1619 (1562 A.D).
- 8. Vasudeva Prabandha: by Jayakīrti, the manuscript is of Samvat 1735 (1678 A.D).
- 9. Jīvandhar Carita: by Daulat Rām Kasliwal composed in the year 1805 (1748 A.D). The manuscript is original copy written by the author himself.
- 10. Ajitnātha Rāsa:-by Brahma Jinadāsa. It is a work of 15th century and written in praise of Ajitanātha.
- Balabhadra Rāsa: -By Brahma Yasodhar composed in Samvat 1585
 (1528 A.D) in Skandhanagar.
- 12. Sravakācāra: by Dharma Vinod. It is a work of 15th century (1457 A.D). It deals with duties of householders.
- 13. Ambikā Rāsa:-by Brahma Jinadāsa. It is a Hindī work
- 14. Punyāśrava Kathā Koşa :-by Rāma Candra copied in 1533 A.D.

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- 15. Sabda Bheda Prakāśa: -by Maheśwara Kavi in 1500.A.D.
- 16. Dharma Pariksa Rāsa: -by Sumati Kīrti copied in 1591 A.D.

(82) GRANTHA BHANDĀR OF KHANDELWĀLA JAINA TEMPLE,

The Khandelwāla Jaina temple is situated in Mandhi kī Nāla, Udaipur. It preserves a small collection of manuscripts numbering about 185. Most of the manuscripts are in Hindī written by Jaina authors. The earliest manuscript is BHUPĀLA STAVANA copied in Samvat 1363 (1306 A. D) and latest one is DASLAKŚANA PŪJĀ by Rāwat copied in Samvat 1974 (1917 A.D). The main subjects on which the manuscripts are available are Rāsa, Pūjā and Stotra. Some of the important manuscripts are as follows:—

- 1. Gaja Singh Caupai :- of Rāja Sunder. It is a work of 1497 A.D.
- 2. Rāma Rāsa:-by Mādhava Dāsa. It is a short story on the life of Rāma.
 - 3. Campāwati Šila Kalyāṇaka:-by Muni Rāja Cand. It is a work of 1627 A.D.
 - 4. Sīmandhara Swāmi Stavan:-written by Kamal Vijay in Samvat 1682 (1625 A.D).

(83) GAUDI JI KĀ UPĀSRAYA-UDAIPUR

The total number of the manuscripts is 625. The manuscripts are placed in bundles. The manuscripts are on the subjects such as Āgama, Āyurveda & Jyotişa etc. The Grantha Bhandār is an ordinary one.

(84) GRANTHA BHANDĀR-DŪNGARPUR

Düngarpur remained the literary centre from the 15th century when Bhattaraka Sakalkīrti established the Bhattaraka Gādi here. As the Bhattaraka was a versatile scholar, there stayed several scholars with him. A great ceremony was taken in Samwat 1482 (1425 (A.D), Brahma Samal pupil of Sakal Kīrti described the same in the Sakal Kīrti Rāsa as follows:—

चऊदय व्यासीय संवति कुलदीपक नरपाल संघपति । इंगरपुर दीक्षा महोछव तीिएा कीया ए ।।३।। श्री सकलकीरति सह गुरि सुकरि दीधी दीक्षा श्राग्दंगरि । जय जयकार संयति संचराचरुए गग्धर ।।४।।

After Bhattāraka Sakalkīrti there were several Bhattārakas who had been there and composed several works in Samskrit and Hindī. Amongst such Bhattārakas, Bhuvan Kīrti, Gyān Bhūṣana, Vijaya Kīrti, Śubhacandra, Brahma Jinadāsa are some of them. There is still a Bhattāraka seat and good collection of the manuscripts the total number of which is 553. Dūngarapur was a State and now it is a district Head quarter of Dūngarpur District of Rājasthān.

There are several manuscripts written in Düngarpur and preserved in various Grantha Bhandārs. Jinadatta Kathā was copied in Samvat 1616 (1559 A.D) and was placed in the Grantha Bhandār of Āgarwal Jaina temple Udaipur. Sajjana Citta Ballabha was copied in Samvat 1696 (1639 A.D) at Düngarpur and was presented to Brahma Akhaya Rāja. Caubīsa-Ṭhāna-Carcā was written in Ādinātha temple in Samvat 1731 (1674 A.D) and placed in Udaipur Bhandār.

The collection of the various manuscripts is very notable and some of them are as follows:—

- Rām Rāsa by Brhma Jinadāsa. The manuscript was written in Samvat 1748 (1691 A. D) in Dewal Village. This is one of the famous work in Hindī of the poet.
- Mithyātva Khandan by Bakhat Rām.
- 3. Sukausal Rāsa by Veņi Dāsa. The manuscript was copied in Samvat 1714 (1657 A.D)
- 4. Sukausal Swāmi Rāsa by Brahma Jinadāsa in Hindī.
- Upadeśa Bāvanī by Kiśan Dāsa composed in 1707 A. D. Bāvanī is a good work of Hindī literature.
- 6. Saraswatī Pūjā by Brahma Jinadāsa in Samskrit.
- 7. Sammeda Sikhar Pūjā by Rām Pāl composed in the year 1829 A.D. in Hindī. The manuscript is original one.

- 8. Sienika Carita by Dungā vaid composed in the year 1642 A. D. in Hindī.
- 9. Rāmāyana Chappaya by Jayasāgar.
- 10. Muni Mālikā by Cārita Singh composed in the year 1575 A.D. in Hindī.
- 11. Sambodha Pancāsikā by Raidhū. The manuscript was written in Samvat 1597 (1540 A.D.)

Apart from the above manuscripts there are following illustrated manuscripts.

- 1. Candana Malayagiri Caupai by Bhadrasena. The manuscript was copied in the year 1733 A.D. and it has 25 illustrations.
- 2. Āditya Vāra Kathā by Gangādāsa. The work was composed in Saka Samvat 1615 (1758 A.D). It contains 5 pictures.
- 3. Pictures on Rāga and Rāginīs. Their number is 30.

(85) COLLECTION OF YATI BĀLA CANDRA VAIDYA-CITTOR

There is a good number of the manuscripts in Śrī Bala Candra Jaina Vaidya's collection. The total number of manuscripts is about 1000. Manuscripts on the subject like Mantra-Śāstra, Stotras, Medicine, Jyotisa, Āgama and religion are in great number. The Grantha Bhandar was founded in Samvat 1941 by Pandit Vinaya Candjī. There is a praśasti which reads as under:—

श्री सद्गुरूम्योनमः उपाध्याय जी महाराज श्री १००८ श्री शिवचन्द जी तत शिष्य १००८ ज्ञानविशालजी तत् शिष्य ग्रमोलखचन्द जी तत् शिष्य पं विनयचन्द जी महा मध्ये संवत् १६४१ में स्थापित हस्तलिखित ग्रन्थों की-सूची।

(86) Bhattara Yasahkirti Jain Saraswati Bhawan Risabhadeva

Risabhadeva is a famous Jain Tīrtha of Mewar. It is on the National Highway going from Udaipur to Ahemdabad. There are several inscriptions which tell the story of its development from time to time. According to one inscription of

^{1.} Manuscripts Catalogue preserved in Abhaya Jaina Granthālaya Bīkāner.

Samvat 1431 (1374 A.D.) Hardān son of Setha Bījā got repaired the temple on the inspiration of teachings of Bhattarak Dharmakīrti.

There is one Śāstra Bhandār in the Saraswatī Bhawan of Bhattārak Yaṣah Kīrti in which a good collection of the manuscripts is available. One rough catalogue also has been prepared in which names of the manuscript and authors etc. are given. But the catalogue is not exhastive. There are about 1070 manuscripts including Guṭakās. The earliest manuscript is Sangrahanī Sūtra Balāvabodha written in Samvat 1416 (1359 A.D) There is a good number of manuscripts written in the 15th and 16th century. Works written in Rājasthānī, Mewārī and Hindī are in abundance. Following works are important.

- Mahāvīr Carita or Mahāvīra Rāsa composed by Padmā at Sāgwarā in Samvat 1609 (1552 A.D.)¹. Padmā was pupil of Bhattarak Subha Candra.
- Narasinghapurā Jāti Rāsa. This is a historical work describing the Narsinghapurā Jāti and its growth and development.
- 3. Sānti Nāth Purāņ. This is a work of Bhattarak Ratna Candra who wrote this in the year 1783 (1726 A.D.). The manuscript is original one written by the author himself.
- 4. Śrenik Caritra:—Composed by Daulat Rām Kāsliwal, a Rājasthāni scholar of 18th century. It was completed in the year 1725 A.D. there is also one manuscript of Śripāl Carita written by the same author.
- 5. Pradyumna Rāsa:—a Hindī work of Brahma Guna Rāja composed in 1549 A.D.
- 6. Karmavipāk Rāsa:-composed by Manaranga in Samvat 1728.
- 7. Laghu Tatwārtha Sūtra:—This is a short form of famous Tatwārtha Sūtra of umāswāmī.
- 8. Lavakuśa Ākhyāna:—This is a work of Bhattarak Mahicandra in 17th century.
- 1. संवत् मोलनवीतरे मंगसिर पंचमी रिववार । राम कियो में निरमलों, सुभवे सागवाडा नगर ममार ॥२०॥

Some of the old manuscripts of the several works are as followes:-

| No. | Name of the manuscripts | Author's Name | Bhāṣāyear of writing |
|------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------------|
| 1. | Mahābhişeka Vidhi | Narendrasena | Samskrit 1399 A.D. |
| 2. | Bhāva Sangraha | Devasen | Prākrit 1458 A.D. at Naiņavā |
| 3. | Dharmāmrita Panjikā | Āṣādhar | Samskrit 1484 A.D. at Düngarpur |
| 4. | Śānti Nātha Caritra | Sakalkīrti | Samskrit 1494 A.D. |
| · 5. | Nemināth Pūjā | Vidyā Bhūsana | Hindī 1557 A.D. |
| 6. | Dharmaśarmabhyudaya | Hari Candra | Samskrit 1576 A.D. |
| 7. | Upadeśa Ratnamālā | Sakal Bhusana | Samskrit 1570 A.D. |
| | This is an original copy writte | n by the author himse | if. |
| 8. | Chanda Kośa | | Prakrit 1592 A.D. |
| 9. | Tatwārtha Ratna Prabhākar | Prabhācandra | Samskrit 1649 A.D. |
| 10. | Pattāvalī of Kasthā Sagha in Sar | ńskrit. | |

of Kastna Sagna in Samskrit

(87) KHARTARA GACHĪYA ŚĀSTRA BHANDĀR-KOTĀ

The Grantha Bhandar belongs to Khartara Gaccha branch. There is a rich collection of the manuscripts. The total number of the manuscripts is 1177. Most of the manuscripts are of the 15th, 16th and the 17th centuries. Manuscripts on the subjects like Agama, Siddhant. Purana and Rasas are in the majority. earliest manuscript is Rāma Laksmaņa Rāsa written in Samvat 1415 (1358 A.D.). The work deals with the life of Rama and Laksmana according to the Jaina mythology. It is in Hindī. There is a copy of Viśāl Deva Cauhāna Rāsa in Hindī. Though the manuscript is incomplete it is a copy of the 14th century. Among the other manuscripts following are more important:-

ŚRĪPĀLA RĀSA of Yaśovijay of Samvat 1445 (1388 A.D.)

NANDA RĀJA CAUPAI of Muni Kusal Sing of Samvat 1436 (1379 A.D.)

^{1.} Mānuscripts Catalogue preserved in Abhaya Jaina Granthālaya Bīkāner.

HAMMĪRA MAHĀKĀVYA of Naya Candra in Samskrit of Samvat 1486 (1429 A.D.)

There is a manuscript of KALPA SŪTRA written in golden ink in Samvat 1530 (1473 A.D.). The Grantha Bhandār is systematically arranged and manuscripts are placed in serial number.

(88) VĪRA PUTRA ĀNANDA SĀGAR GYĀNA BHANŅĀR-KOṬĀ'

The collection of the manuscripts is private one and belongs to Ānanda Sāgarii Mahārāja. It was established in the 19th century. The total number of the manuscripts is 415. Most of the manuscripts were copied from the 17th to the 19th century. The earliest manuscript in the Bhanḍār is Sandeh Dohāvalī Vratti of Prabodha Candra copied in Samvat 1448 (1391 A.D.).

(89) GRANTHA BHANDĀR OF JAINA TEMPLE BORSALI-KOTAH

The Grantha Bhandar of Digambar Jaina temple Borsalī is also one of the mains Bhandārs of the city. There is a good collection of the manuscripts which are 735 in number. From the Bhandār, it appears that it was a centre of literary activity specially in 18th century. There are several manuscripts which were copied here such as Mahīpāla Caritra in Samvat 1856 (1799 A.D). PARVA RATNĀVALI (1794 A.D.) Samādhi Tantra Bhāṣa by Parvata Dhārmārthī (1766 A.D.) GYĀN DARPANA of Deep Candra (1778 A.D.). All these manuscripts are preserved in this Bhandār.

The earliest manuscript is Gyānārṇava of Śubha Candra in Saṃskrit. It was copied in Saṃvat 1548 (1491 A.D.) and the latest manuscript is Jina Datta Kathā of Saṃvat 1992 (1935 A.D.). The manuscripts deal with all the interesting subjects. Some of the important manuscripts are as follows:—

- (a) Palya Vidhāna Rāsa:—of Śubha Candra in Hindi, This is a small work which deals with Palya Vrata. The manuscript was copied in Samvat 1690 (1633 A.D).
- (b) Candra Prabha Swāmi Vivāhlo:—written by Bhattāraka Narendra Kīrti in Samvat 1702 (1545 A. D). The work is in Hindī and describes the marriage of Candra Prabha.
- (c) Cetāvanī:—a work which instructs every one to be careful in worldly life. It is in Hindī poem.

^{1.} Manuscripts Catalogue preserved in Abhaya Jaina Granthālaya Bīkāner.

(d) Ravivrata Kathā:—of Muni Sakal Kīrti in Hindī.

Among the rare manuscripts are works of Vegarāja which have been collected in a Gutakā. The poet was of 18th century and he finished his work Bārahakhadī in Samvat 1798 i.e. 1741 A.D. Other important works are NEMI VIVĀHA PACCĪSĪ by Vegarājā and Kumuda Candra's PARDĀRO PARŚILA RĀSA All the works are in Hindi.

GRANTHA BHANDĀRS OF BŪNDĪ

There are five Grantha Bhandars in Bundī city, The names of which are as follows:—

- (1) Grantha Bhandar of Jaina Temple Parswanatha.
- (2) Grantha Bhandar of Jaina Temple Adinatha.
- (3) Grantha Bhandar of Jaina Temple Abhinandana Swāmī.
- (4) Grantha Bhandar of Jaina Temple Mahavīra.
- (5) Grantha Bhandar of Jaina Temple Neminatha (Nagadi)

(90) GRARTHA BHANDĀR OF PARSWANĀTHA TEMPLE

The Grantha Bhandār of Pārswanātha temple contains 334 manuscripts. All the manuscripts are on the subjects like Pūjā. Kathā, Purāṇa and Stotra etc. Most of the works are in Saṃskrit. There is a copy of Rāma Candra Rāsa written by Brahma Jinadasa in Sāmvat 1518 (1461 A.D.). The poet has given the time of its complation time in this work. This is in Hindī. It describes the life of Rāma Candra. The other rare mannscript is a commentary of BHAKṬĀMARA STOTRA of Hem Rāja in Hindī prose. This has been discovered first time in this Bhandār.

(91) GRANTHA BHANDĀR OF JAINA TEMPLE ĀDINĀTHA

In the Grantha Bhandar of Ādinātha temple, there is a collection of 168 manuscripts. The earliest manuscript in the Bhandar is Jyotişa Ratnamālā with commentary written by Pandit Vaiza in Samvat 1516 (1459 A.D). The other old manuscripts are Sāgāra Dharmāmrita by Aśādhara copied in 1500 A.D, Trilokasāra (1461 A.D.) by Acārya Nemi Candra and Upadeśamālā of Dharma Dāsa (1540 A.D).

संवत् पन्द्रहम्रठारोत्तरा मगंसिर मास विसाल ।
 शृक्लपक्ष चउदिस दिने रास कियो गुग्गमाल ।।

(92) GRANTHA BHANDĀR OF JAIN TEMPLE ABHINANDANA SWĀMĪ

The Śāstra Bhandār of Abhinandana temple contains 368 manuscripts. Previously this temple was the seat of the Bhattārakas and there was a big collection of the manuscripts but most of the manuscripts were sold by the pupils of the Bhattārakas and several of them destroyed automatically. But still there is a good collection of old manuscripts. Karakandu Cariyu, an Apabhramśa Kāvya written by some unknown author, is a rare work which has been discovered recently. The work describes the life of Karkandu, a king according to Jaina mythology. The manuscript is incomplete and in bad condition.

(93) GRANTHA BHANDAR OF MAHAVIRA TEMPLE

This temple remained the seat of scholars as the manuscripts preserved in the Grantha Bhandār are on the subjects like Siddhānt, Purāṇa. Pūjā and Stotra etc. Most of the manuscripts are new. The total number of the manuscripts is 172. The manuscripts are in Hindī written in 18th and 19th centuries.

(94) GRANTHA BHANDĀR OF JAINA TEMPLE NEMĪNĀTHA

This last Grantha Bhaṇḍār exists in the temple of Neminātha. This Bhaṇḍār was also important in the past. At present there are 223 manuscripts which are complete and in good condition. But manuscripts of the same number had been made incomplete. There is a manuscript copy of MĀDHAVĀNAL PRABANDHA written by Gokul son of Narsā in Saṃvat 1594 (1537 A.D). This is a very correct copy of the book which was copied in Saṃvat 1655 (1598 A.D). The manuscript of SĪNHĀSANA BATTĪSĪ is of 1654 (1597 A.D). There is a Guṭakā copied in Saṃvaṭ 1641 (1584 A.D) which contains several small works of VŪCARĀJA a famous Hindī poet of 16th century.

Thus in the Śāstra Bhanḍārs of Bundi city there are more than 1200 manuscripts which shows that Bundi was once a centre of literary activities. The old name by which it had been mentioned in the Samskrit and Hindī works is VRINDĀVATI.

(95) JAINA SARASWATI BHAWAN, JHĀLARĀPĀŢAN

The Grantha Bhandar is called by the name of Ailaka Panna Lal Digambara Jaina Saraswati Bhawan, Jhalarapatan. The Bhandar was established by late Śri Panna Lal recently. Before this, there was no Bhandar. Panna Lal himself collected

all these manuscripts from all over Rajasthan Bhandars. There is a good collection of the manuscripts numbering 1436.

The manuscripts are mainly in three languages i. e. Samskrit, Prākrit and Hindī. The main subjects on which the manuscripts are there in the collection are Siddhānt, Ādhyātma Purāṇa, Kāvya, Kathā, Nyāya and Stotra. The earliest manuscript in the Bhandār is BHĀVA SANGRAH by Deva Sena copied in Samvat 1488 i.e. 1431 A.D., anp the latest manuscript is RĀJAMATI VIRAHA in Ḥindi copied in Samvat 1970 (1913 A.D).

The Sastra Bhandar is systematically arranged and manuscripts are placed in serial number and also subject-wise. Apart from these manuscripts, these is a good library of printed books also in which more than one thousand books are in the collection and which are issued to the readers for reading purposes.

NAINAVĀ

Nainavā is an old town in Bundī District and at present it is a sub-divisional Head quarter. It is 32 miles from Bundi and connected with a road. The town remained a literary centre from very beginning. The earliest manuscript written in this town is PRADYUMNA CARITRA. It was copied in the year 1461 A. D. when Allauddin Khilji was the emperor of Delhi. At present there are three small Grantha Bhandārs which contain only 221 manuscripts. But from the manuscripts it appears that in the past i. e. from 15th to 19th century the town remained a great literary centre.

Kesava Singha who was a Hindī poet of 18th century and wrote more than 10 works, composed his one work BHADRA BĀHU CARITA in the year 1716 A.D. at Nainava. It was described by the name of LOCANAPURA by him in his work in the following way:—

लोचनपुर गुम ग्राम में, सिघराज जिनधाम।
बुद्धि प्रमागा लिख्यो मुफ्ते, जिपये श्रीजिननाम ।।१।।
साइ करो मुक्ति उपरें, दौप हरो भगवान।
सगन नगण ग्रादिक सहु, ध्याऊ श्री जिनवािंग ।।२।।

^{1.} Catalogue published in the year 1943.

^{2.} Prasasti Sangraha Amer Sastra Bhandar Jaipur P. 138.

Several manuscripts which were copied here are preserved in the Grantha Bhandārs of Būndī, Koṭā, Dabalanā, Indergarh, Āmer, Jaipur, Bharatpur, Kāmā etc. Such as the manuscript of NĀYA KUMĀRU CARIYA of Puspadanta was copied in the year 1471 A.D. is preserved in the Grantha Bhandār of Badhicand Temple, Jaipur. The manuscript of SIDHA CAKRA KATHĀ copied in the year 1458 A.D. is also in the same Grantha Bhandār.

Some of the manuscripts which were copied here in the 18th and 19th century are as follows:—

| S. No. | Name of the manuscript | Author's name | Date of Writting |
|--------|-----------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| 1. | Samādhi Tantra Bhāṣa | Parwata Dharmārthī | 1719 A.D. |
| 2. | Kriyā Kosā Bhāsa | Kisana Singh | 1757 A.D. |
| 3. | Pārśwa Purāņa | Bhūdhardāsa | 1809 A. D. |
| 4. | Purūsartha Sidhyupāya Bhāṣa | Ţodarmal | 1807 A.D. |
| 5. | Samayasāra Nāṭak | Banārsīdāsa | 1841 A.D. |
| 6. | Pūjā Sangraha | | 1791 A.D. |
| 7. | Dāna Kathā | Bhārāmalla ' | 1880 A.D. |
| 8. | Pānḍava Purāṇa | Bulākidāsa | 1784 A.D. |
| 9. | Tattwārtha Sūtra Tīkā | | 1831 A.D. |

All these manuscripts are preserved in the Grantha Bhandars of Nainava. A short description of these Grantha Bhandars is as follows:—

(96) GRANTHA BHANDĀR OF BAGHERAWĀLA JAINA TEMPLE

The Grantha Bhandar situated in the Bhagherawala Jaina temple is an old Bhandar. There is a collection of 104 manuscripts written in Samskrit and Hinda.

The main subjects on which they are written are Siddhant, Purana, Carita and Pūjā. All the manuscripts are common generally available in the Jaina Bhanḍars. But there is one Guṭakā¹ in which the works of Hindī poets of the 15th, and 16th

^{1.} पौर्या की टीको लिल्यते वैशाख दुतीक मुदि १५ संवत् १६४४ गढ रगाथम्भीर मध्ये ।

centuries are written. The Gutakā was written in the year 1587 A.D. at Ranthambhore Fort. Some of the important works collected in the Gutakā are as follows:—

- (1) Sārśikhamani Rāsa by Bhattāraka Sakalkīrti 15th century
- (2) Neminātha Gīta by Brahma Yasodhara 16th century.
- (3) Pancendriya Gīta by Jina Sena 16th century.
- (4) Neminātha Rajmati Veli by Singha dāsa 16th century.
- (5) Vairāgya Gīta by Brahma Yasodhara 16th century.

There are 96 small works collected in the above Gutaka.

(97) GRANTHA BHANDĀR OF TERĀPANTHĪ JAINA TEMPLE

There are 80 manuscripts in rhe Grantha Bhandar of this temple. Most of these manuscripts are written in Samskrit and Hindī and on the subjects like Purāṇa, Carita and Pūjā. The manuscript of Sammedā Sihar Pūjā composed by Lāl Cand pupil of Bhattāraka Jagat Kīrti at Rewārī in the year 1787 A.D. is an important one. The poet gives his description in the following way:—

देवेन्द्रकीर्ति तत्पद बखान, शील शिरोमिशा कियावान ।
तिनके पद परम गुरावान, जगतकीर्ति भट्टारक ग्रान ।
शिष्य लालचन्द सुधी, भाषा रची बनाय ।
एक चित्त सुनै, पढै, भन्य शिव कुं जाय ।।३४।।
संवत् ग्रठारासे भयो व्यालिस उपर जान,
पांच फान्गुन शुक्ल कुं, पूररा ग्रन्थ बखान ।।३६।।
रेवाडी शहर मनोग्य, वसे श्रावक मन्य सव,
ग्रादित्य ऐश्वर्यं योग, तैतीस पहर पूररा भयो ।।३७।।

Apart from these manuscripts there are three Yantras written on cloth in the 16th and 17th century. RISI MANDALA YANTRA is the earliest one. It was written in the year 1528 A.D. The size of the Yantra is 22" × 23". The Prasasti given on the Yantra is as follow:—

श्री श्री श्री शुमचन्द्रसूरिभ्योनमः । ग्रथ संवत्सरेस्मिन श्रीनृपिवकमादित्यगताव्दः संवत् १४८४ वर्षे कार्तिक वदी ३ शुभिदिने श्री रिपिमन्डलयन्त्र ब्रह्म ग्रज्जयोग्यं पं० ग्रहदासेन शिष्य पं० गजमल्लेन लिखितं । गुमं भवतु । BRIHAD SIDHA CAKRA YANTRA was written in the year 1557 A.D. by Brahma Lāhada pupil of Mandalacarya Dharma Kīrti.¹ The size of the cloth is $22\frac{1}{2}$ " × $22\frac{1}{2}$ ". The third Yantra is of Dharma Cakra written in the year 1617 A.D. at Nāgaur². The size of the Yantra is 25" × 25".

(98) GRANTHA BHANDĀR OF AGARWAL JAIN TEMPLE-NAIŅAVA

There is a small collection of 37 manuscripts only. Most of them are recently written and placed in the Grantha Bhandār.

(99) GRANTHA BHANDĀR DABĀLĀNĀ

Dabalānā is a village which is 10 miles from the west side of Būndī. The Grantha Bhandār is in the Jaina temple. There is a collection of 423 manuscripts in the Grantha Bhandār. From the manuscripts it appears that they were in the possession of some Jaina Sādhu and after his death, they were brought here. The collection is very good from the point of Hindī works. The earliest manuscript is ŞADĀVAŠVAKA BĀLĀVABODHA by Hema Hansa Gaṇi. It was copied in the year 1464 A.D. at Ujjain.³ The main subjects on which the manuscripts are available in the Grantha Bhandār are Kāvya, Carita, Kathā, Rāsa, Vyākaraṇa, Āyurveda, Jyotiśa and Stotra. Manuscripts copied in vorious places such as Būndī, Nainavā, Gothāda, Indergarh, Jaipur, Jodhpur, Sāgwara and Sīsavālī are in good number. Some of the important manuscripts which have been discovered in the Grantha Bhandār are as under:—

- (1) Ādinātha Stavan:—by Mehau composed in the year 1442 A.D. It is in Hindī written in the praise of Ādinātha of Raṇakpur Jaina temple.
- संवत् १६१४ वर्षे फाल्गुन सुदि ३ गुरुवासरे त्राण्विनि नक्षत्रे श्रीमूलसंघे नंद्याम्नाये बलात्कारगरो सरस्वतीगच्छे श्री कुंदकुंदाचार्यन्वये मंडलाचार्थ श्री ३ धर्मकीर्तिस्तिच्छिष्य ब्रह्म श्री लाहड नित्यं प्रग्मिति वा तेनेद वृहत सिद्धचक्रयंत्र लिखितं ।
- 2. संवत् १६७४ वर्षे वैंशालमुदि १४ दिने श्री नागपुर मध्ये लिखापितं धर्मचक्रयन्त्रं ।
- संवत् १५२१ वर्षे श्रावण बदि ११ रिववासरे मालवमंडले उज्जियन्यां......लिखितं ।

- (2) Itihāsa Sāra Samuccaya:—written by Lālā Dāsa⁴ in the year 1586
 A. D. It describes the short story of Mahā-bhārat in Hindī poem.
- (3) Sinhīsana Battīsī:—by Sādhu Gayāna Candra. It is in Samskrit prose. The date of the work is not given but he quotes his teacher's name as Jinodaya Sūri:—
- (4) Bhaktamār Stotra Bhaṣā:-It is a Hindī prose translation made by some scholar. The date of the translation is also not given in the work. But the manuscript was copied in the year 1610 A.D., so it is definite that the translation was made prior to this date. The last portion of the translation is as follows:—

श्रथवा श्रहंकारि करी तुंग उच्चैरतर जन प्रीतइ श्रथवा तेह पुरुप श्रनइ मानतुंग श्रीभक्तामरस्तवकर्त्ता श्रीमानतुंगाचार्यं प्रतिइ श्रवशा भगीइ तेह पुरुप तगो परवश हूं ती । तद्गतचित्त-लक्ष्मी श्रजस्त्र निरंतर समुप्पेत्ति श्रावइ । इति श्रीभक्तामरस्तोत्रं वालाववोध समाप्तः । संवत् १६६७ वर्षे...।

- (5) Rāma Yaśa:—by Kesa Rāja. It describes the life of Rāma and Sītā according to Jaina Purāṇas. The work was composed in the year 1623 A.D. when the great poet Tulasidās died.
- संवत् सौरासै तेतारा, राज अकवर साहि भुवारा ।
 मई कृष्ण पछि अतिसै वात, सातै बुद्धवार सुभ जात ।।

लालदास कहै करजोरि, सुित कित गुनी देह जिमि खोरि।
ग्रस्थल नगर ग्रागरो गांव, ऊधोदास पिता को नांवं।
जाति वांनियो लालादास, भाषा किर वरन्यो इतिहास।।

संवत् सौलह श्रासीयरे, श्राछउ श्रासो मास।
 तिथि तेरिस श्रंतरपुर माहि, श्रागी श्रित उल्लास।।

(10C) GRANTHA BHANDAR OF JAINA TEMPLE PARSWANAEHA-INDERGARH

Indergarh is an old city of former Koțā state. Ii is on the main broad guage line of Western Railway from Koțā to Sawai Mādhopur. Previously it was a big Ţhikāna of Kota state. but now it is only a sub-tehsil.

The Grantha Bhandār is situated in the Jaina temple Pārswanātha. There are 289 manuscripts in the Grantha Bhandār. The manuscripts collected in the Grantha Bhandār are mainly on religious subjects like Siddhānt, Stotra, Ācār Śāstra. Several manuscripts were copied in Indergarh itself which shows that previously there was arrangement for copying out the manuscripts. The collection is an ordinary one.

CHAPTER IV SUBJECTS DEALT WITH



There is scarcely any province of Indian literature to which the Jainas have not contributed. Besides the religious they have developed a voluminous narrative literature. They have written epics, novels, dramas, bhajans and stories. Generally they have written in the simple language of the people, but they have indulged in highly elaborate style also. We find highly ornate court poetry. They have also produced important works of scholarship.

Almost the whole of the Āgama literature written in Prākrit is available in these Bhandārs. Works on the principles of Jainism are numerous and are found in number of Grantha Bhandārs. The Jaina Ācāryas and scholars created a pretty large literature on duties of householders and those of homeless ascetics. This is also called Ācāra Śāstra. Then there are hundreds of works written on the lives of Tīrthankaras and other great personalities of Jaina Mythology. They are called Purāṇas and Caritas. The number of stories illustrating Jaina proverbs is also quite large and some of them are excellent. There are works collectively called Kathā Koṣas TREASURY OF STORIES written by the various authors.

Manuscripts on logic and philosophy are also in a large number. The Jaina Ācārya's contribution in this respect is tremendous. The works of Ācārya Samantabhadra, Vidyānandi, Aklanka, Haribhadra Sūri and Hemcandra etc. were very popular and their works have been collected in several Grantha Bhandārs. Manuscripts in these Bhandārs are not limited to only Jaina logic and philosophy but works like Vedāntasār of Sadānand. Muktāwali of Viswanātha and Tarkasangraha of Annam Bhatta are also preserved. There are numerous manuscripts on Yoga and Adhyātma. The Pūjā literature has been popular from about the 10th century, so the scholars took much interest in creating such literature. And hundreds of manuscripts on Pūjā were written and preserved in Jaina Grantha Bhandārs. There is not a single Bhandār where this kind of literature is not available.

Apart from these religious as well as secular subjects, there is also a good number of manuscripts which deal with the general subjects. There are hundreds of manuscripts written on astronomy, astrology, metrology, and medicines. On these subjects there are works written both by Jaina and non-Jaina authors. Works relating to grammer are also many. Manuscripts on the interesting subjects like Art and Architecture, Dances and Dramas are also in good number.

ĀGAMA & SIDDHĀNTA LITERATURE

The collective term given by the Jainas to their sacred books is Agama or Siddhant. The two important sects hold different opinions about this literature.

But they are unanimous in calling them the Angas i.e. limbs (of the body of religion). The number of these Angas is twelve.

According to the Digambara Jainas whole of the Dwādaśānga Śruta is not available and the 12th Anga Ditthivāya only is preserved in parts. But according to the Śwetāmbar Jainas all the twelve Angas except the 12th Anga are available.

All the Āgamas are written in Prākrit which is known as Ārṣa Bhāṣā i.e. the language of the Rṣiṣ or Ardha Māgadhī i. e. half Māgadhī, the language in which Lord Mahāvīra himself preached his principles. It is true that the Āgamas which we have today are not exactly the same which were composed several centuries ago, as they have undergone some changes. But such as are available at present confirm to their critical additions prepared under the supervision of Devardhigani Kśamā Śramana a Swetāmbar Ācārya of the century.

THE ANGAS

The Angas are the oldest parts of the canon. They have older traditions quite intact, without a change. Jacobi puts forth the evidence of language and the metres which according to him are archaic. He remarks "I am of the opinion that the first book of ĀCĀRĀNGA SŪTRA and that of the SŪTRA KRATĀNGA may be recokned among the most ancient parts of Āgam literature. The style of both works appears to me to prove correctness of this assumption."

ĀCĀRĀNGA SŪTRA² is the first Anga which describes the way of life of of a monk. It is divided in two sections. The first section is earlier than the second. It is written both in prose and verse.

The second Anga is the SUYAGADANGA (Sūtra Kratānga) and treats of the precious life of the monks and is mainly devoted to the refutation of heritīcal opinions.

In the third Anga, the Thananga (Sthananga) various themes of religion are dealt with in numerical order. These enumerations sometimes contain parables in a nut shell.

The fourth Anga, the Samvāyanga is in a way continuation of the third, the subject matter of the first two third of the work being arranged in numerical

^{1.} S. B. E. Vol. 12 inter. P. XII Winternitz. Op. Cit. pp, 435-41)

² Jaina Grantha Bhandar, Jaisalmer.

groups, just like the Thananga except that in this case the numbers do not stop at 10 but go a long way beyond 100 as far as a million.

The fifth Anga called Bhagwati Viyāha Pannatti (Vyākhyā Pragnapti) explains the dogmatics of Jainism in the form of questions and answers and also in the form of dialogues. This work presents a detailed picture about Lord Mahāvīra, his relationship to his disciples and contemporaries.

Nayadhammakahā (Jnātādharma Kathā) is the 6th Anga. It is divided in two parts. The first book consists of 21 chapters. The main subjects dealt with in this book are religious tales to give examples.

The seventh Anga is the Uvāsagadasāo (Upāsakadeśāh). It describes legends which are told of ten house holders who were related to highly respectable families and who became lay adherants.

The eigth Anga Amtagadadasāo (Antakṛddaśāh) describes stories of pious ascetics.

Amuttarovavāiyadasāo (Anuttaraupapātikadaśāh) is the ninth Anga and narrates in thirty three lessons or Adhyayans the lives of monks of an equal number of persons.

The tenth Anga, the Panhāvāgaranaīm (Praśna Vyākarana) means questions and explanations. In this Anga principles of Jainism are explained.

The eleventh Anga Vivagasuyam (Vipak Śrutam) i. e. the texts of the ripening contains legends on the retribution for evil deeds.

The last of all is the 12th Anga, the Ditthivaya (Drstivada) means the doctrines of various views. According to the Swetambaras this Anga has gone astray.

THE UVĀMGAS (UPĀNGAS)

The Upāṅgas consisting of a group of 12 texts have mutual relation with Aṅgas. But according to Dr. Winternitz, though they are termed as Aṅgas and Upāṅgas yet they fail to reveal any mutual relation between them and collection is newly external. Three Upāṅgas like JAMBUDDĪVAPANNATTI, CANDAPANNTTI, SŪRAPANNATTI, (Jambudvipa-Prajnapti, Candraprajnapti, & Surya-Prajnapti) deal with astronomical views of Jainas. The dates of these Upāṅgas are not traceable

from any of the source, as they do not provide a clue to the dating of these texts.

But we may not be wrong in ascribing to the Upangas a period later than the clued Sutras.

The subject matter of the twelve Upāngas is purely dogmatic and mythological. The first Upānga is the Uvavāiya (Aupapātika) which contains two parts. The first part describes the sermons of Mahāvīra, which deal with the results of good and evil deeds in four forms of existence as inhabitants of hell, animals, humanbeings, and Gods. The second part describes journeys performed by Indrabhūti Gautama for learning the sermons of Mahāvīra regarding various rebirths. The second Upanga, the Rāja Pasenaijja (Rāja Praśnīya) deals with various matters such as pilgrimage of the God Sūriyābha to Mahāvīra and dialogues between King Paesi and the monk Kesi. The third Upānga is Jīvābhigama which describes the doctrine of living and lifeless things. The fourth Upānga PANNAVAŅĀ (Prajnāpanā) has classified the human beings under Ārya and Barbarians.

The fifth, sixth and seventh Upānga are Scientific works dealing with astronomy, geography cosmology and the division of time. The last five Upāngas comprised the five sections of one text entitled Nirayāvali Suttam. The eighth narrates how the ten half brothers of the King of Campā namely Ajātasatru were killed by their Grand father Veśāli in the battle against him and after their death were reborn in the various hells. The ninth Upānga KAPPAVADAMSIAO (Kalpavatamsikāh) gives an account of the same King's sons who were converted to ascetic life and afterwards got different heavens. The tenth Upānga PUPPHIĀO gives an account of the Gods and Goddesses who drove earth-wards in order to pay homage to Lord Mahāvīra. In the 11th Upānga-Pupphiāo, ten similar stories are told. And the last-12th Upāāga VANHIDASĀO deals with the conversion of the twelve princes by the saint Arithanemi.

TEN PAIŅŅAS (PRAKIRŅAS)

The group of ten texts called Painnas are stray or scattered principles. They deal with topics like proper and improper forms of death, essential duties of a monk, confession and remuneration of faults, the offering respects to the Arhat, Siddha, Sādhu, and Dharma and details about Gods etc. The time of their composition is also not certain. Whether these were brought into present form before Upingas or after Upangas, is also not certain but it is said that these came into existence along with the Upangas.

^{1.} History of Indian Literature by Winternitz, part II.

The CAUSARANA (Catuśaraṇa) deals in 63 verses with the prayers by means of which one may take the four fold refuge. AURA-PACCAKKHANA (Ātūrpratyā Khyāna) means the sick one's refusal while MAHĀ PACCAKKĀNA means the great refusal, a formula of confession and renunciation. In the Bhatta-parinnā (Bhakta-Parijnā) and Samthāra there are numerous legends of grievous sinners who did not adopt vows to get rid of re-births. The Tamdula Veyaliya is the dialogue between Lord Mahāvīra and Gautam Gandhara on various topics such as physiology aud anatomy, the ten ages of man etc. The Camdavijjhaya, the sixth Painnas deals with teachers and disciples mainly on discpline. The Devimdatthaṇa gives a classification of the Kings of Gods according to their group and residence etc. Gani Vijya (Gani Vidyā) deals with astrology while VIRATTHARA (Virastava) contains an enunciation of the names of Mahāvīra.

SIX CHEYA SUTTAS (CHEDA SŪTRAS)

The Group of 6 texts going under the name of Cheya Suttas (Cheda Sūtra) also form a group in the cannon. According to Dr. Winternitz, these did not perhaps form a group in the canon, until a later period, as it is not always the same texts which are placed in the group. The first two sutras i.e. Niśiha and Mahaniśīha describes rules regarding confession and penance which are emphasised as the most important steps towards liberation. They deal with the sufferings of the beings in connection with the doctrine of Karma. The third, fourth and fifth Cheda sutras are regarded as the earliest portion of the canon. These three texts are treated by tradition as one book (Śrutaskandha), the fifth Cheda Sūtra Kappa known as Kalpa Sūtra of Bhadra Bāhu, is one of the most famous work available in the Swetāmbar Grantha Bhandars. It is divided into three sections. Section one contains the life of the Jinas and the main portion of the work is covered by the biography of Lord Mahāvīra according to Swetāmbar Sect. The section two of Kalpa Sūtra describes the list of schools (Gana) their branches (Śākhā) and the heads of schools (Ganadhara) and the section three contains rules for the ascetics. Kalpa Sūtra is very much popular among the Jainas and as such its manuscripts are found in most of the Bhandars.

THE FOUR MŪLA SUTTAS (Mūla Sūtras)

Out of the four mula sutras, the first three Sutras are important even from literary point of view. The first section Uttarājjhayana (Uttarādhyana Sutra) consists 36 sections which deals with various topics such as birth as human being, instruction in the religion, faith in the religion etc. The second Mula Sutra Āvassaya or Šadāvasyaka Sutra describes six essential daily duties of a Jaina. The third Mula

Sūtra Daśaveyāliya deals with mainly monastic discipline. The third sūtra is also connected with an abundant narrative literature. The fourth Mūla Sūtra the Pimḍa Nijjutti is usually mentioned sometimes also the Oha Nijjutti and occasionally the Pākkhi. They describe about the pious life and of subjects of discipline.

The Nandi and Anuyogadvāra are sometimes counted amongt he Painnas but they are usually mentioned either before or after the Mūla Sūtra as independent texts standing outside the groups. Both works which should be known by a Jaina monk are huge encyclopaedias dealing with everything.

The Āgama literature of Digambārs as already said previously does not exist at present except some parts of the 12th Anga called Ditthivāya. Under the Āgamika literature, comes Gunadharacarya's Kasāya Pāhud and Puspadant Bhutablis Ṣat Khandāgam. These two works have commentaries written by Ācārya Vīrasena and his pupil Jinasena are called Dhavālā, Jaydhavalā and Mahādhavalā. The manuscript copies of these works are only available in the Śāstra Bhandār of Mūdabidri.

But the Digambars of the present day have voluminous works on this subject which may be called as secondary canon or substitute canon which was written by the later Ācāryas and may be described as below:—

Ācārya Kunda Kunda wrote Daśa Bhakti and Aṣṭa Pāhuḍa¹ in Prakrit language. In the third century Umāswāmī composed Tattwārtha Sūtra or Tattwārthādhigama Sūtra, the manual for the understanding of the true nature of things. The book is recognised as an authority and is read by all Jainastat their residence and temples. It is an excellent summary of Jaina domatics. There are several commentaries written by both scholars of Digambars and Śwetāmbars. Among Digambars commentaries written by PŪJYAPĀD, AKLANK, and VIDVĀNANDI are called SAWĀRTHA SIDDHI² RĀJWARTIKA³ and ŚŁOKA VARTIKAŁ

Among the other authors, Ācārya Vaṭṭakera wrote Mūlācāras which describes and lays down rules of daily life of the Sādhus and householders. Some say that it is a sort of compilation by a little known author called Vaṭṭakera, MŪLĀCĀRA PRADĪPAs was composed by Bhaṭṭāraka Sakal Kirti in the year 1424 A.D.

^{1.} Grantha Sūci Amer Śāstra Bhandar-Jaipur.

^{2.} to 4. Ibid.

^{5.} Rajasthan ke Sastra Bhandaron ki Grantha Suci Part II. page 166.

^{6.} Ibid. page 166. A white the state of the

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Bhagwati Ārādhanāt was composed by Shivātya or Sivakoti in Prākrit. It deals with the kinds of worship and may be called as an assence of worship. The With the same what they be to me work contains 2170 Gāthās.

White of the war were great From whom and street it. Acarya Samantbhadra wrote Ratnakaranda, Sravakacar, in Samskrit. It is very famous and widely circulated book amongst the Jainas. Prabha Candra wrote Samskrit Commentary² on it.

Devasena, who was born in 894 A.D. wrote a manual of the Jaina faith entitled Darśanasāra, Ārādhanāsāra, Tattvasāra and Srāvakācāra. All these works preserved in Amer Sastra Bhandar, Jaipur. written in Apabhramsa are Srāvakācāra is in Doha metre. All these works are very much popular and are read with great interest.

Amitigati a famos scholar and pupil of Mādhava Sena wrote Upāsakādhayayan called Amitigati³ Śrāvakācāra and Panca Sangrah.⁴

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Ācārya Nemicandra, a teacher of the Minister Cāmundaraya in south India composed Gommtasāra5 in Prākrit. It is in two parts. The first part is called Jīva Kanda, the second one is Karma Kanda. They are considered as authentic works on Jaina religion. A big commentary in Hindi was made by Pandit Todarmal in the 18th century. Lander Control

In the first half of the 13th century, Asadhar was a great versatile scholar. The main work of the poet is Dharmamrit,7 "Nector of religion" which is in two parts. Sāgāra and Angāra-Dharmāmrata describes the duties of the layman living in the house and of the homeless ascetic. He himself wrote a commentary on his work in the year 1243 A.D. In the year 1503, Bhattaraka Gyan Bhūsan wrote Tattva Gyāna Tarangiņī in Samskrit. It is a good book which explains principles of Jain religion. It was a new to the to the release to the agents of the contract of the second

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PURANA LITERATURE

The words Purāṇa refers to stories of ancient times. The name of Purāṇa is applied to them to show that they are very old. In vedic literature the word Itihāsa and Ākhyāna have been used alongwith the word Purāṇa. According to the definition given in Hindu Purāṇas, there must be five topics in every Purāṇa i.e.,

- (i) creation of universe
- (ii) its destruction
- (iii) the genealogies of Gods and Rsis
- (iv) the ages of manus, and
- (v) the history of solar and lunar races.

There are 18 main Purānas in Samskrit language. All of them were written by Non-Jaina authors. The names of these are as follows:—

| (1) | Brahmānda | | (2) | Matsya |
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| (3) | Mārkandeya | | (4) | Bhāgavata |
| (5) | Bhavişya | | (6) | Brahma Vaivarta |
| (7) | Brahma | | (8) | Vāmana |
| (9) | Varāha | | (10) | Viṣṇu |
| (11) | Vāyu or Šiva | | (12) | Agni |
| (13) | Nāraḍa | | (14) | Padma |
| (15) | Linga | | (16) | Garuḍa |
| (17) | Kūrma | and | (18) | Skanda. |

Except these 18 main purāņas there are sub-purāņas also which have been described in Garuda Purāņa.

The Jaina Ācāryas and scholars also showed their great interest in writing the Purāṇa literature, though the aim of writing this kind of literature was not the same as that of Vedic scholars. The aim of Jain Purāṇas is to describe the lives of 63 great personalities and as such the Purāṇas are called either after rhe name of particular Tīrthankara or named as Padma Purāṇa, Harivanśa Purāṇa, Pānḍava

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Purāna etc. In these Purānas along with the lives of Tīrthankara, the lives of other personalitis such as Rāma, Kriśna, Pāndavas etc. are also given. Therefore definition of Purāna given by the Samskrit Ācāryas does not apply to Jaina Purānas. The Jaina Purānas describe the life of a particular personality in a good and artistic manner. Some Purānas are written in such a fine language that instead of calling Purānas, they may better be called Kāvyas. Purānas written by Jinasenācārya, Guṇabhadra, Swayambhu and Puṣpadanta are such examples.

The Jaina Bhandars of Rajasthan contain most of the Puranas written by the Jain Ācaryas. Such Puranas are written mainly in three languages i.e. Samskrit Apabhramsa and Hindi.

SAMSKRIT PURĀŅAS

Ācārya Raviṣeṇa is belived to be the first Jaina scholar who wrote the first Jaina Purāṇa namely Padma¹ Purāṇa in Vīra Samvat 1204 i.e. 678 A.D. He was the pupil of Lakṣamaṇasena. The Purāṇa has several Adhikārs conṭaining 123 Chapters in all and a total number of śloka is about 18,000. It deals with the life of Rāma who was among the 63 great personalities. In the beginning of 9th century there were two Jaina Ācārya namely Jinasena and Guṇabhadra. Ācārya Jinaṣena, the Guru of King Amoghavarṣa (815 to 877 A.D.) wrote first part of the Mahāpurāṇa which is called Ādipurāṇa² and deals with the life of Ādinātha, the first Tirthankara and his son Emperor Bharata. Ācārya Guṇabhadra completed the second part of the Mahāpurāṇa after the death of his teacher Jinasena. This part is called Uttarapurāṇa³. Both the parts are the biographies of 63 'Greatmen' that is to say 24 Tīrthankars, 12 Cakravartis and 27 Heroes (9 Baladevas, 9 Vasudevas and 9 Prativasudevas).

Acārya Jinasena II, composed Harivanśapurāṇa in the 8th and 9th century. This is a big work containing about 12,000 verses. In this work Life of Neminatha along with legends of Kriṣṇa and Balrāma are told in a Jainistic setting. As a matter of fact this is a Mahābhārat according to the Jaina faith.

^{1.} Amer Sastra Bhandar ki Grantha Suci Jaipur. p. 87

^{2.} Ibid. p. 11.

^{3.} Ibid. p. 15

^{4.} Ibid. p. 161.

In the 12th century, the famous Ācārya Hemcandra wrote Trisasti Purusa Carita' which is also on the lines of Mahāpurāna. This purāna describes the life of 63 great men, It is divided in 11 Purvas and is regarded as one of the good works of Samskrit literature. In this century Kavi Asaga wrote two purānas. One is called Mahāvīra Purāņa², and the other is Sāntinātha Purāņa which describe the life of Jaina Tirthankara Mahāvīra and Śāntinātha respectively. In the 15th century Bhattāraka Sakalkīrti had been a great scholar and a man of versatile genious. He wrote more than 20 works in Samskrit. The names of Puranas written by him are Adipurana3, Uttarapurana4, Mahavirapurana5, Santinatha Purana6, Mallinatha Purāna⁷ and Pārśwa Purāṇa⁸. All: these Purāṇas are available in various Bhandārs of Rajasthan. He was one of the most famous scholars of his time. Brahma Jinadāsa was also a great contemporary scholar. He was the disciple of Bhattāraka Sakalkīrti. He wrote Harivanśapurāna9 and Padmapurāna10. Brahma Kāmarāja wrote Javakumār Purāna¹² in 1498 A.D. The Purāna is divided in 13 sargas. Nemidatta wrote Neminātha Purāna¹³ in 1518 A. D. This work contains 16 chapters and deals with the life of Lord Neminātha and other personalities. Bhattāraka Subhacandra a great scholar of 16th century was the pupil of Bhattaraka Vijaykīrti. He wrote Padmanābha Purāna¹⁴ and Pāndava Purāna¹⁵ (1551 A.D).

In the 17th century Bhaṭṭāraka Dharmakīrti wrote Padma Purāṇa (1612 A.D). This work is divided in 24 Chapters. Bhaṭṭāraka Vādi Candra composed two Purāṇas one is Pānḍava Purāṇa¹6 (1601) and the other is Pārśva Purāṇa¹² Bhaṭṭāraka Śrī Bhuṣana pupil of Vidyā Bhuṣana wrote Pānḍava Purāṇa¹³ and Śāntinātha Purāṇa¹³ (1602 A.D). Bhaṭṭāraka Candra Kīrti of 17th century wrote Ādinātha Purāṇa²¹ on the life of Ādinātha, the first Tīrthankara while Brahma Keśava Sena composed Karṇāmrita Purāṇa²¹ in 1631 A.D. Bhaṭṭāraka Somasena wrote Padmapurāṇa which is also called Rāma Purāṇa²². The workiwas written in Vairāṭh

- 1. Brihad Gyāna Bhandār, Jaisalmer.
- 2. Bhatjārkiya Śāstra Bhandar, Nagaur.
- 3, to 7. Ibid.
- 8. Amer Sastra Bhandar, Jaipur.
- 9. to 10. Ibid.
- 11. Bhattarika Śāstca Bhandar, Nagaur.
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- 14. Ämer Sastra Bhandar, Jaipur.
- 15. to 22. Ibid.

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an old town in Rājasthān. The Purāṇa contains 24 Adhikārs. In this century Candra Kīrti a pupil of Vidyā Bhuṣana, a well known Bhaṭṭāraka of his time wrote Ādipurāṇa, Padma Purāṇa and Pārswa Purāṇa. Ajinātha Purāṇa was written by Aruṇamani in 1659 A.D. in Jahānābāda. The Puraṇa describes the life of Ajitanātha, the second Tīrthankara. Brahma Kriṣṇa Dāsa was also a great scholar of the 17th century. He wrote Munisubrata Purāṇa and Vimla Purāṇa in the year 1624 and 1617 A.D. Respectively.

PURĀŅA WRITTEN IN APABHRAMŚA

Apabhramsa was the language of the people for many centuries therefore there are also several Purānas written in this language. The Apabhramsa works are mostly preserved in the Jain Bhandars of Jaipur, Nāgaur and Ajmer.

In the 10th century Puspadanta was the most famous poet of Apabhramsa language. He wrote Mahāpurāṇa which describes the life of 63 Great persons of Jaina religion. It is divided into two parts. The first part is called Ādipurāṇa and the second part is called Uttarapurāṇa. The Ādipurāṇa consists 37 sandhis and the second part contains 65 sandhis. Puspadant wrote this Purāṇa under the patronage of Minister of Raj Kriṣṇa third who was the ruler of Raṣṭrakīta dynasty It was begun in the year 959 A. D. and was finished in the year 965 i.e, complete six years were taken in writing this Kāvya. This Mahāpurāṇa remained so much popular among the Jainas that manuscript copies of this Purāṇa are found in most of the Grantha Bhandārs of Rājasthān. There are 25 manuscript copies of this Purāṇa in Grantha Bhandārs of Jaipur.

In the year 942 Padam Kīrti wrote Pārswa Purāņa which describes the life of Lord Pārswanātha, the 23rd Tīrthankara. The Purāņa is divided in 18 sandhīs. There is one copy of this Purāņa in Āmer Šāstra Bhandār, Jaipur. The work is still un-published.

In the 11th century Mahākavi Dhavala wrote Harivansa Purāṇa a mammoth work. The Purāṇa is divided in 122 Sandhis and contains about 18,000 verses.

^{1.} Amer Śāstra Bhandar, Jaipur.

^{2.} Ibid.

^{3.} Bhattarkiya Śāstra Bhandar, Nāgaur.

^{4.} to 5. Ibid,

One manuscript copy of this Purana is in the collection of Jaina Sastra Bhandar Bada Mandir, Terapanthi, Jaipur.

In the 15th century Yaśah Kīrti wrote Harivanśapurāṇa¹ and Pānḍava Purāṇa² in Vikram Saṃvat 1497 (1440 A.D.) and 1500 (1443 A.D.) respectively. Pānḍava Purāṇa was written in Nāgaur City at the request of Hansraj. The work is divided into 34 Sandhis and describes the life of Pānḍavas. The work Harivanśapurāṇa was written in Indrapura in the reign of Jalāl Khān. There are 13 sandhis and the total number of Kadvakas is 267. The manuscript of both the works are in the collection of Āmer Śāstra Bhanḍār Jaipur and Bhaṭṭārkiya Śāstra Bhanḍār Nāgaur In the 15th century Śrutakīrti was famous writer of Apabhraṁśa language. He wrote Harivanśa³ purāña. The work is divided in 44 Sandhis. Raidhu had been a great scholar of Apabhraṁśa. He wrote more than 25 works in this language on Puran Literature. His works Pārswa Purāṇa, Padmapurāṇa and Ādipurāṇa are famous. The manuscript of these works are available in Āmer Śāstra Bhanḍār, Jaipur.

PURĀŅAS IN HINDĪ

The Puranas which were previously written in Samskrit were later on translated into Hindī by the Jaina scholars because in the 17th century Hindī became the common language.

Kavi Ţhākkur was the first Hindī writer who wrote Pārswa Purāna in Hindī in 1595 A. D. It is very good work and describes the life of Lord Pārswanātha. The only manuscript available so far is in the collection of Bhaṭṭārkīya Śāstra Bhanḍār, Ajmer.

In the 17th century Bulākidāsa was a very good scholar of Hindī. His mother Jaini inspired him to write some works in Hindī so he wrote Pāndava Purāṇa in 1697 A.D. The work is regarded as one of the best work from the linguistic and literary point of view. It is divided in Sargas. The work was very popular and its manuscripts are available in most of the Jaina Bhandārs.

- 1. Amer Śāstra Bhandar, Jaipur,
- 2. Bhattarkiya Śastra Bhandar, Nagaur.
- 3. Amer Sastra Bhandar, Jaipur.
- 2. Sāstra Bhandār, Jain Temple Badā Mandir, Jaipur.

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There had been several scholars in the 18th century who wrote works on Pnrāna literature in Hindī. Among such scholars Bhudhardāsa, Khuśālcand, Ajaya Rāja, Daulat Rāma are well known. Bhudhardāsa wrote Pārswa Purāna in the year 1732. This is a very good work and is very popular. We find its copies in most of the Grantha Bhandārs of Rājasthān.

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Dīpa Cand Śāha wrote Parmātma Purāņa in the first quarter of the 18th century. The manuscript is found in the Āmer Śāstra Bhandār of Jaipur.

Khuśāla Cand Kālā was a Rājasthāni Scholar. He lived in Sāngāner and Āmer and composed several works in Hindi. His works on Purāṇa literature are Harivanśapuraṇa¹, Padmapurāṇa² and Uttarpurāṇa³. He wrote these works in the year 1723, 1726 and 1742 respectively. All works are in Hindī poetry and are read with great interest by the scholars. The manuscripts of these works are available in most of the Jaina Bhandārs of Jaipur.

Daulata Rāma Kāsliwāl was wlso a Rājasthānī Scholar. He was born in Baswā, educated in Jaipur and composed his works in Jaipur and Udaipur. He wrote works of Ādipurāna, Padmapurāna, and Harivansa Purāna in Hindī prose in the year 1766, 1767 and 1772 respectively. Daulata Rāma was the first Hindī Jaina Scholar who wrote these Purāns in Hindī Prose. His language is elegant and polished and his way of description is marvellous. His works are quite popular all over the country. Among the Purānas his works are regarded as one of the best works written in Hindī prose.

Ajaya Rāja a Jaipurian Scholar also wrote several works in Hindī. He composed Ādipurāna⁷ in the year 1740 in Hindī poetry. The manuscript of the work is available in Āmer Sāstra Bhandār, Jaipur.

In the 19th century Kesari Singh wrote Vardhamāna Purāṇa. He lived in Jaipur and composed his works in the Jaina temple of Laskar, Bhāgcand a poet of his time wrote Neminātha Purāna in the year 1850. This deals with the life of Neminātha, the 22nd Tīrthankar.

^{1.} Sästra Bhandar of Jaina temple Bada Mandir, Terapanthi, Jaipur.

^{2.} to 3. Ibid.

^{4.} Śāstra Bhandar of Jaina temple, Pātodi.

^{5.} to 6. Ibid.

^{7.} Sāstra Bhandar of Tholia Jain Temple, Jaipur.

The Purānas written in Hindī are very important from the point of view of the History of Hindī literature, They indicate the stages of the development of styles of poetry and prose from the end of the Sixteenth century onwards.

KĀVYA LITERATURE

The term Kāvya means any thing produced by a poet. It includes poems, fables, lyrics, dramas and all othere forms of literature. But its use is narrowed down generally to a class of poetry, although its use with reference to other types is not forbiddan. The classical definition of Kāvya is:—

धर्मार्थकाममोक्षेषु वैचक्षण्यं कलासु च । प्रीति करोति कीर्ति च साधु काव्यनिवन्यनम् ।।

Bhāmah

Though the name can be applied to some other forms of literature also. Some of the Kāvyas produced by Jaina poets and which are of very high order are briefly described below:—

JINA SENĀCĀRYA the author of Ādipurāna wrote Pārśwābhyudaya¹ which describes the life of Lord Pārśwanāth. It is divided into four cantos and regarded as one of the best poems written by the Jaina writers. In this work there are preserved 120 stanzas of the Meghasandeśa.

HARICANDRA is the author of the work DHARMAŚARMĀBHUDAYA² in 21 cantos. The Kāvya describes the life of Dharmanātha a Jaina Tīrthankara. The work is quite well known and its copies found in Several Śāstra Bhandārs. His other work is JĪVANDHARA CAMPU³, a manuscripts of which is preserved in the Grantha Bhandār of Jaina temple Terāpanthi, Jaipur. It describes the life of Jīvandhar. In the 11th century Vīranandi composed CANDRAPRABHA CARITA¹ in Śak Samvat 943 (1021 A.D). The poem describes the life of Candraprabha a Jaina Tīrthankara. It is divided into 15 cantos.

^{1.} Bhattarkiya Śastra Bhandar, Nagaur.

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^{4.} Amer Sästra Bhandar, Jaipur.

DHANANJAYA wrote a poem RĀGHAVA PĀNDAVĪYA¹ in which he described the story of Rāma and Pāndavas simultaneously by taking recourse to pun. It is also famous by the name of Dvisandhāna Kāvya. He lived in the 1st half of 10th century A.D. The poem is divided into 18 cantos.

Vāgbhatta is the author of Nemi Nirvāņa Kāvya² a poem in praise of Neminātha Tirthankara. The author flourished in about 1150 A.D. The poem is of very high standard.

Hemcandra is the author of several poems two of which deserve mention. One is TRIŞAŞŢISALĀKĀ PURUŞ CARITA³ and the other is Dvyāśraya Kāvya. The former is in ten parts and describes the 63 great personalities of the Jaina faith. The later gives a life of Kumārapāla, a poet's patron. It is also known by the name of Kumārapāla Carita. The poem is divided into 28 cantos out of which first 20 are in Samskrit and the rest in Prākrit.

Somadeva, a famous writer of Samskrit, was the author of YAŚASTILAKA CAMPU, a Campu Kāvya written in the praise of Yaśodhara, a Jaina king. It is written in poems and prose and available in several Jaina Bhandārs specially in Jaipur, Āmer and NĀGAUR.

Arhatdāsa pupil of Pandit Āśādhar wrote Purudeva⁵ Campu in the 13th century. It describes the life of Ādinātha who is also called Purudeva. It is also in poems and prose.

Vikrama son of Sangam was the author of Nemidūta Kāvya⁶. This in an artificial poem in which the first three of every verse are composed by the author and fourth is supplied from Kālidās's Meghadoot. It describes the life of Neminātha. Guna Vijaya wrote the commentary on the poem.

Varānga Carita? is the work of Jatacārya or Jatal Muni alias Simhanandi. It is divided into 31 cantos and describes the life of Jain King Varānga. Another

- 1. Bhattarkiya Sastra Bhandar, Nagaur.
 - 2. Ibid.
 - 3. Brihad Gyan Bhandar, Jaisalmer.
 - 4. Amer Sastra Bhandar, Jaipur.
 - 5. Bhattarkiya Śastra Bhandar, Nagaur.
- 6. Amer Sästra Bhandar, Jaipur.
 - 7. Ibid.

Varānga Carita¹ was composed by Vardhamāna Bhaṭṭāraka of the Balatkārgaṇa Sarasvatigacha of Mūla Sangha. It is divided into 13 cantos.

Vardhamāna Caritra² also called Mahāvīra Caritra is the work of Kavi Aśaga. This work is also mentioned under the title of Sanmati Caritra in the author's Śāntipurāṇa. The work is in 18 cantos and is said to have been composed in the year 910 A.D.

Vasanta Vilāsa Kāvya³ in 14 Cantos describes the life of the minister Vastupāla. It was composed in Samvat 1296 (1239 A.D) by Bālcandra Sūri pupil of Hari Bhadra Sūri of the Cāndra Gacha.

Apart from the composition of the Kāvyas, the Jāina Scholars also wrote commentaries on the Kāvyas written by the non-Jaina authors. Prakaśa varśa wrote commentary on Kiratarjuniya Kāvya of Bhārvi. This is a rare commentary and available only in Āmer Śāstra Bhandār and Jaisalmer Bhandār. Raghuvanśa Kāvya possesses three commentaries written by Dharmameru, Sumati vijay and Cāritra Vardhana. All these commentaries are available in Abhaya Jaina Granthālaya, Bīkāner and other Bhandārs. Moreover yet another commentary written by Hemasūri is in Brihad Gyān Bhandār Jaisalmer.

Mallinātha Sūri⁴ and Vinay Candra⁵ wrote different commentaries on Meghadūta. The time of commentary written by Vinaycandra is 1664 (1607 A.D).

There is a voluminous commentary on Naisadha Carita dated 1366 A.D. written by Jinarāj Sūri, the manuscript of which is available in Harisaya Gyana Bhandār, Lohāwat (Jodhpur).

Mallinātha Sūri is one of the most famous commentator who wrote commentaries on most of the Mahākāvyas such as Raghuvansa, Kumārsambhava, Kirātārjunīya and Sisupāla Vadha.

- 1. Bhattarkiya Śāstra Bhandar, Nagaur.
- 2. Ibid.
- 3. Brihad Gyāna Bhandār, Jaisalmer,
- 4. Ibid.
- 5. Ibid.

PRĀKRIT & APABHRAMŚA KĀVYAS

There is a good number of Kāvyas written in Prākrit and Apabhramsa. Vimal Sūri was the first known Ācārya, who wrote a Mahākāvya Paum Cariya1 in Prākrit It was composed in the Vira Nivana Samvat 530² It contains 118 cantos and describes the life of Rāma according to Swetāmbar Jaina faith. Padma is the name of Rāma. One palm leaves manuscript written in the year 1141 A.D. is available in Brihad Gyana Bhandar, Jaisalmer. Swayambhu is the first poet of 9th century whose works written in Apabhramsa are available. He wrote two Kāvyas. one is called PAUMCARIU³ and the other is RITTHA NEMICARIU. works are preserved in Amer Sastra Bhandar and Digambar Jain Mandir Badhicand Paumcariu is divided into five Kāndas i. e. Vidyadhara Jaipur respectively. Sundara Kānda, Yudha Kānda and Uttar Kānda. Kānda Ayodhvā Kānda, There are 90 sandhis in all the five Kandas. This is the Jaina Ramayana dealing with the life of Rāma. The work is regarded as one of the best work ever written in this language. The Ramāyana written by Tulsidāsa is divided into 7 Kāndas i.e. Bālā Kanda, Ayodhā Kānda, Aranya Kānda, Kiskindhā Kānda, Sundara Kānda, Lankā Kānda and Uttar Kānda, The story of Tulsidāsa's Ramāyana though based on Balmiki Ramāyana, but in several aspects it is similar to Swayambhu's PAUMCARIYU. The scholars like Mahāpandit Rāhul is of the opinion that the word "ववचिदन्यतोषि" denotes that the poet Tulsidasa borrowed some story from the PAUMCARIU also.

The Rittha Nemicariu also called Harivansa Purāna is a voluminous work having 112 Sandhis and 1637 Kadavakas. Some of the last Sandhis were written by his son Tribhuvan Swayambhu. Puspadanta the famous author of Mahāpurāna of 10th century wrote Jasahar Cariu and Nāya Kumār Cariu. There are nine sandhis in Nāya Kumār Cariu and four sandhis in Jasahar Cariu. These works are very popular among the public. Manuscripts of these works are available in several Bhandārs of Rājasthān.

Ādinātha Carita⁴ is a voluminous work of Vardhamān. In it there are 15000 gathas divided into five Chapters. The date of work is 1103 A.D. Santi Sūri

^{1.} Brihad Gyan Bhandar, Jaisalmer.

थ पंचवे वाससया दुलमाए तीस वरस संजुता । वीरे सिद्धमवगए तम्रो निवद्धः इमें चरियं ।।

³ Published by Bhartiya Vidya Bhawan, Bombay.

^{4.} Brihad Gyān Bhandār, Jaisalmer.

wrote in Prākrit PRATHAVĪCANDA CARITA¹ in the year 1104 A.D. It consists of 7500 Gathas. Nayanandi completed his Sudansaṇa Cariu (Sudarsana Carita) in Samvat 1100 (1043 A.D). It is a very fine work describing the life of Sudarsana a Jaina merchant. There are 10 manuscripts in the Āmer Śāstra Bhanḍār. Kavi Vīra wrote JAMBU SWĀMI CARIU² (Jambu Swāmi Carita) in the year 1019. It is a fine work of Vīra and Śrangāra Rasa. The manuscript of this work is preserved in Āmer Ṣāstra Bhanḍār, and Śāstra Bhanḍār Baḍa Mandir, Jaipur. Haribhadra Sūri wrote Mallinātha Carita and Candraprabha Carita in Prakrit and Nemiṇāha Cariu in Apabhraṁsa. Lakṣmangani wrote Supāṣaṇāh Carita in 1143 A.D. Guṇabhadra and Somprabhācārya composed Mahāvīra Carita and Sumatinātha Carita respectively in about 1190 A.D.

Bhavisayatta Caritu³ is the work of Dhanapāla. German Scholar Dr. Jacobi felt interested in it and got it printed in Germany. It is regarded a 11th Century work. The manuscripts of this work are preserved in good number in the Jaina Grantha Bhandārs of Rājasthān.

CARITA LITERATURE.

Carita literature can be placed between kāvya literature and story literature. This is a light literature but does not consist only of stories. From the carita literature available in the Jaina Śāstra Bhandārs, it is noticed that before 12th century Kāvyas written by the poets in difficult and alankārika language were preferred by the people but later on such difficult literature was not easy to be read so there was a general demand for lighter literature, which might take the place of Kāvya literature. Though there was not a hard and fast rule that a Carita should be written in simple language without show of scholarship. It is also true that majority of the works of this kind of literature are easy and written in a very understandable language. The Caritas which describes the life of individual Jinas are numerous in Samskrit. We shall describe some of the main works of this class which are found in the Jaina Grantha Bhandārs.

Ācārya Gunabhadra pupil of Ācārya Jinasen and writer of Uttarpurāna wrote two works, Jinadatta Caritas and Dhanya Kumār Caritas. These works describe the lives of Jinadatta and Dhanyakumār respectively.

^{1.} Brihad Gyan Bhandar Jaisalmer.

Ämer Sästra Bhandär, Jaipur.
 Ibid.

^{4.} Amer Sastra Bhandar, Jaipur.

^{5.} Grantha Bhandar, Terapanthi Mandie, Jaipur.

In Samyat 1084 (1027 A.D), Nemicandra Sūri wrote Māhāvira Carita. Sūri is also known as Devendra Sūri. The earliest manuscript which is in the collection of Pāṭān Bhandār is of Samvat 1236. (1179 A.D).

In the year 1197 Devasūri pupil of successor Dharma Ghosa Sūri, pupil of Sarvānand wrote Padmaprabha? Carita. It describes the life of Tīrthankara Padmaprabha in a very simple language.

Candraprabha Carita³ is a Samskrit work composed by Davendra pupil of of Vijaya Singha Sūri of the Nagendra Gacha in the year 1207 A.D. The work is a popular one and is available in the various Bhandārs. Sarvānand Sūri composed two works namely Pārswanātha Carita⁴ and Candraprabha Carita in the year 1234 A.D. and 1245 A.D. respectively.

TRISASTI SMRITI⁵, which describes the lives of 63 Salākā persons was composed by Pandit Āśādhar in the year 1235 A.D. at Nalakachapura. It is a very good and short work. It is popular and available in several Bhandārs and specially at Bhandārs of Jaipur.

Arhatdāsa pupil of Pandit Āśādhar composed MUNISUBRATA CARITA6 which describes the life of Muni Subratanātha. It contains 10 cantos. It is also called Kāvyaratan. Padmaprabha pupil of Vivudhaprabha of Candra Kula composed in the year 1237 A. D. 'Munisubrat Carita'.' It is also stated that Kunthanātha Carita was also composed by him. The Vāsupujya Carita was composed in Samvat 1242 A.D. by Vardhana pupil of Vijaya Singh Sūri. The work is very much popular and is in the collection of the various Bhandārs and specially in Bikāner and Jaisalmer Bhandārs.

Sāntinātha Carita was composed by Ajitaprabha Sūri in the year 1250. He was the pupil of Vīraprabha Sūri of Pūrnima Gaccha. The poem contains

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- 1. Grantha Bhandar, Pațan.
- 2. Tapāgachiya Gyāna Bhandār, Jaisalmer.
 - 3. Brihad Gyāna Bhāndār, Jaisalmer, 1932 1

 - 5. Sāstra Bhandar, Digambara Jain Terāpanthī Mandir, Jaipur.
 - 6. Ibid.
 - 7. Grantha Bhandar, Nagaur.

six cantos and about 5000 ślokas in all. It is very popular and preserved in the collection of most of the Bhandars of the Swetambar Jainas. Another Śāntinātha Carita was composed in Samvat 1322 (1265 A.D.) by Muni Deva Sūri pupil of Madan Candra Sūri. It is in Samskrit and is based on Devcandra's work. It was corrected by Pradyumna pupil of Kanaka Prabha. This work also remained popular and its manuscripts are in the collection of Jaisalmer, Bikāner and Delhi Bhandārs.

Śrī Dharmakumāra pupil of Vibudhaprabha, successor of Somaprabha of the Nagendra Kula composed Śālibhadra Carita. It is in seven cantos and was composed in the year 1277 A.D.

Padma Nābha Kāyastha composed Yaśodhara Carita¹ in Samvat 1462 (1405 A.D.). The work was composed at the request of Kuśārāja Minister and at the advice of Sumatriti. Kuśarāja was the Minister of King Vikrama of the Tomar family of Gwalior. The manuscripts of this work are preserved in various Bhandārs and specially in Jaipur, Ajmer, Nāgaur etc. In Samvat 1463 (1406 A.D) Mānikya Sundar composed Sridhara Carita. The author was the pupil of Merutunga of the Ancala Gacha. The work is divided into 10 cantos. Pandit Śrīdhar wrote Bhāviṣyadatta Carita² in the 15th century. The story of the work is popular one.

Vikramāditya Carita was composed in Samvat 1490 (1433 A.D.) by Subhasīla, pupil of Munisunder Sūri of Tapā Gacha: The work describes the life of King Vikrama, Sakal Kīrti a famous scholar and Bhattaraka of the 15th century wrote several works such as Yasodhara Carita, Mallinātha Carita, Jambu Swami Carita and Sudarṣana Carita etc. He was a versatile scholar of his time. His works are very popular and are found in most of the Digambara Bhandārs of Rājasthān. Two illustrated manuscript copies of Yasodhar Carita are preserved in the Sāstra Bhandārs of Jaipur.

Pandit Dharmadhar of 15th century wrote Nagakumār Cārita. The manuscript of this work dated 1541 is available in the Jaina Grantha Bhandār of Badā Mandir, Jaipur.

Jaisekhar Sūri pupil of Mahendraprabhā Sūri of Ancal Gacha wrote Dhammil Caritra in the year 1405 A.D. Brahma Neminātha, a scholar of 16th century composed two works, one Karkandu Caritra and the other is Jambu Swami Caritra.

^{1.} Amer Sästra Bhandar, Jaipur.

² Abhaya Granthālaya, Bīkāner.

Subha Candra was a famous scholar of 16th century. He was pupil of Bhattaraka Vijaya Kīrti. He is the author of several works out of which Karakandu Caritra, Jambuswami Caritra and Jīvandhara Caritra are very much popular and manuscripts of these works are available in most of Digambara Bhandārs. Rājmala wrote Jambuswamī Caritra in Samvat 1632 (1575 A.D.). Hemvijay pupil of Kamal Vijay of Tapāgacha composed Pārswanātha Caritra in Samvat 1631 (1575 A.D.) Śri Udaivijayagani wrote Parswanātha Caritra in the year 1597. Raviśena also wrote Pradyumna Caritra in the year 1518 A.D. The manuscript copy of the work is available in Āmer Śāstra Bhandār. Vādi Rāja Sūri wrote two Caritra works i.e. Yasodhar Caritra and Pārswanātha Caritra. Vidyanandi pupil of Davendra Kīrti who lived in 16th century wrote Sudarsana Caritra. Padam Sunder wrote Parswanātha Caritra in the 16th century. A manuscript dated 1615 exists in the Jaina Sāstra Bhandār of Bada Mandir, Jaipur.

In the seventeenth century Bhattarāka Jinendra Bhuṣaṇa successor of Viśva Bhuṣaṇa wrote Karkandu Caritra⁸. Damodara Kavi pupil of Bhattaraka Dharma Candra wrote Candraprabha Caritra⁹. Ratan Candra composed Pradyumn Caritra¹⁰ in Samvat 1671 i. e. in the year 1616 A.D. Neminātha Caritra in Samskrit Prose was composed by Guna Vijay pupil of Kanak Vijay of the Tapa Gacha in Samvat 1668 (1611 A.D). It has thirteen Chapters and one copy of the manuscript is in the Jaisalmer Bhandār.

Bhattaraka Ratan Candra wrote¹¹ Subhoma Caritra in the 18th century. Brahma Ajit, a famous writer of the 17th century, composed Hanumāt Caritra¹², the work is divided into eight chapters and deals with the life of Hanumān.

All the above works are written in easy and flowing style and were very popular when they were written and when Samskrit was widely read and understood by the people.

- 1. Sastra Bhandar, Terapanthi Mandir, Jaipur.
- 2. Ibid.
- 3. Ibid.
- 4. Amer Sastra Bhandar, Jaipur.
- 5. to 7. Ibid.
- 8. Grantha Bhandar, Jain Mandir Bada Dhada, Ajmer.
- 9. Amer Sastra Bhandar, Jaipur.
- 10. to 12. Ibid.

CARITA LITERATURE IN PRĀKRIT & APABHRAMSA

Light literature written in Prākrit and Apabhramsa in the form of Caritas is also in good quantity and is available in the Jaina Sāstra Bhandārs of Rājasthān.

Śīlacarya was the first scholar who composed Mahāpurşa Carita in Samvat 925 (868 A.D.) in Prākrit. He was the pupil of Mahādeva Sūrī. The work describes the lives of the 63 great persons. Mahāvīra Carita in Prākrit was composed by Nemicandra Sūri, in Samvat 1141 (1034 A.D.). It is in eight Chapters and was composed at the orders of Prasanna Candra Sūri pupil of Jina Candra Sūri. The language of the work is simple and beautiful. The work also contains about 50 Apabhramśa verses.

Hari Candra Carita also called as Vijaycandra Carita, was written by Candraprabha Mahattara, pupil of Abhayadeva Sūri of Khartar Gacha. It was composed at the request of Vīradeva Gani and it is in two parts. Both are in Prākrit. The work contains stotries which illustrate the SwetāmbarJain modes of Jina's worship. Śri Śāntācārya composed Prathvi Candra Carita in Samvat 1161 (1104 A.D.). Deva Bhadragani, pupil of Sumati Upadhayaya and Prasanna Candra wrote Pārswanātha Carita. The work is in Prākrit and contain five Chapters. It was composed in the year 1111 A.D.

Yaśodeva pupil of Devagupta Sūri composed Candradrabha Carita¹ in the year 1121. Vīrasūri composed Candraprabha Carita in Samvat 1138 (1081 A.D.) in Prākrit. He was the pupil of Siddhasūri. One manuscript of this work written on palm leaves and dated 1217, is preserved in Jaisalmer Bhandār. Haribhadra Sūri pupil of Jindeva of Brihad Gacha composed Munipati Carita in the year 1115. Lakśmanagani pupil of Hemcandra Sūri composed Supārsva Caritra in Samvat 1199 (1142 A.D). It is in Prākrit and contains about 8700 Gāthās.

Dhahila an Apabhramsa poet of 12th century wrote Paumsiri Cariu. He was the son of Pārsva Kāvi.

Ērīdhar, a famous poet of 12th century composed three works in Apabhramsa. Pāsṇān Cariu, Sukamāla Cariu and Bhavisyatta Cariu². The manuscrip of these three works are in the collection of Āmer Sāstra Bhandār. Devasanagaņi

^{1.} Published in the Atmavallabh series No. 9 Ambala.

^{2.} Amer Sastra Bhandar, Jaipur.

composed Sulocanā Carita in the same century. Muni Kankāmar is the author of Karakandu Carita. This is also a good work in Apabhramsa and available in Jaina Bhandārs, of Āmer, Ajmer and Nāgaur.

Haribhadra Sūri composed Mallinātha Carita in Prakrit during the reign of King Kumārpāla. Mahākavi Singh also called as Siddha wrote Pajjuṇa Cariu¹ in Apabhramśa in the 13th century. Kavi Lākhu wrote Jiṇayatta Cariu² in the year 1218. The work is in Apabhramśa and describes the life of Jinadatta, a Jain merchant.

Yaśahkīrti composed Candappaha Carita in Apabhramśa language. It was written on the request of Sidhpāla of Gujjardeśa. He described himself as Mahākavi. The manuscript is available in Āmer Śāstra Bhandār, Jaipur.

Jaimitrahala wrote Vaddhamāna Carita³ in the reign of Allahuddin Khilji. Narsena composed two works in Apabhramsa, one is Vaddhamāna Katha⁴ and the other is Śripāla Cariu. He is supposed to be the poet of 14th century.

Pandit Raidhu is regarded one of the most famous poet of Apabhramsa language who wrote more than 25 works in this language. Dhanakumar Carita⁵ Megheswar Carita⁶, Śripāla Carita⁷, Sanmati Jina Carita⁸, Neminātha Carita⁹, Yasodhar Carita¹⁰, Jīvandhar Carita¹¹, and Sukumal Carita¹² are some of his works available in Apabhramsa language.

Mānnikka Rāja composed two works in Apabhramsa one is Amar Sena Carita¹³ and the other is Nāgakumār Carita¹⁴. He completed Nāga Kumara Carita in the year 1522. Amar Sena Carita and Nāga Kumāra Carita were written on the request of Deva Rāja Caudharī and Todarmal respectively.

Bhagwati Dāsa was the last poet of Apabhramsa. He was a citizen of Delhi and completed his Mrigānka Lekhā Carita¹⁵ in Samvat 1700 i.e. in the year 1643 A.D.

- 1. Amer Sastra Bhandar, Jaipur.
- 2. to 4. Ibid
- 5. Bhattarkiya Śāstra Bhandar, Nagaur.
- 6. to 12. Ibid.
- 13. Amer Sästra Bhandar, Jaipur.
- 14. to 15. Ibid: 11. 175 4.7 7 15

CARITA LITERATURE IN HINDI

There are several works on Carita Literature written in Hindī and which are available in the Grantha Bhandārs of Rājasthān. They describe the lives of great persons. These works are just like Kāvyas in Samskrit and Apabhramśa.

Jambu Swāmi Carita seems to be the first work which was composed by the poet, Dharmā in the year 1209 A.D. It is preserved in Abhaya Granthālaya, Bīkāner.

Jinadatta Carita¹ is another work in Hindi which was composed in the year 1297 A.D., by the poet Ralha or Rāja Singh. The work describes the life of Jinadatta in 554 stanzas. Only one manuscript has been discovered so far which is kept in the Śāstra Bhandār of Jaina temple, Pātodi, Jaipur. Neminātha Caupai was written by Vinaya Candra Sūri some where between 1296 to 1301. This is a short work on the life of Neminātha written in Caupai metre.

Pradyumna Carita² was composed by the poet Sadhāru in Samvat 1411 (year 1354 A.D.) This is regarded as one of the first works of Braj Bhāṣa in 701 stanzas. It is a kind of Sapta Sati. Pānde Jinadāsa wrote Jambu Swāmī Carita³ in 1587 A.D. It is is a very good work which describes the life of Jambu Swāmī.

Rāmcandra who is famous by the name of 'Bālaka' is the author of Sita Carita'. It is a big work written in Hindī poem and was completed in the year 1716 A.D. Lakhamiḍāsa and Khuśāla Canda Kāla wrote Yasodhar' Carita in the year 1724 A.D. Both the works have been found in the Śāstra Bhanḍār of Jain Terāpanthi Baḍā Mandir. Khuśāla Canda Kālā also wrote Dhanya Kumār Carita' and Jambu Swami Carita. Parimall was a Hindī writer of 17th century. He composed Śripāla Carita'. Cetanakarma Carita' was written by Bhaiyā Bhagwatīdāsa of Āgra in the year 1675 A.D. It is an interesting work. Kiśana Singh wrote Bhadrabāhu Carita' in the year 1723 A.D. It describes the life of Bhadra Bāhu, the last Śrutakevali.

^{1.} Published by Digambar Jain Atiśaya Kśetra Mahāvīrji, Jaipur.

^{2.} Sāstra Bhandar Khandelwāl Pancayati Mandir, Kāmā (Raj.)

^{3.} Amer Sästra Bhandar, Jaipur.

^{4.} to 8. Ibid.

^{9.} Sāstra Bhandar, Digambara Jain Terāpanthī Mandir, Jaipur.

Parihānand contributed a work Yasodhara Carita in the year 1613 A.D. Another Yasodhara Carita was also composed by Ajairāj in 1735 A.D. Bhattāraka Vijay Kīrti wrote Śrenika Carita in the 1767 A.D. He was the Bhattāraka of Ajmer Gādi and took a great interest in collection of the manuscripts. His other work is Jambuswāmi Carita which was composed in the year 1770 A.D.

Kalyāṇa Kīrti was the writer of Cārudatta Carita⁵ in the year 1635 A.D. It describes the life of Cārudatta, a true lover of Basantsenā. Jodhrāja Godika wrote Pritinkara Carita⁶ at Sāngāner in the year 1664 A.D. Pannālāl Caudharī, the famous Hindī translator of 19th century translated the following works in Hindī.

- 1. Jambuswāmi Carita⁷ in the year 1873 A D.
 - 2. Jinadatta Carita⁸ in the year 1874 A.D.
- 3. Jivandhar Carita9 in the year 1877.
 - 4. Gautama Swāmi Carita¹⁰

Nathmal Vilalā wrote two works as Jīvandhara Carita and Mahipāla Carita. Both the works are available in the Grantha Bhandar of Jaina Temple, Pātodi.

HINDI WORKS ON RASA LITERATURE

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There is a large literature on the subject like Rāsa written in Hindī by the Jaina writers. As a matter of fact, we find that the earliest works in Hindī were written by them. Here we shall give a brief history of such works.

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 - 3. Bhattarkiya Sastra Bhandar, Nagaur.
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 - 5. Sāstra Bhandār Jaina Temple Patodi, Jaipur.
 - 6. Grantha Bhandar, Terāpanthi Jaina Temple, Jaipur.
 - 7, to 10. Ibid.

- Bhārteswar Bāhubālī Rāsa¹ seems to be the first work written by Śālibhadra Sūri in the year 1184 A.D. The work describes the battle which was fought between Bharat and Bāhubali.
- Candanbālā Rāsa:-was composed by poet Asagu in about 1257 A.D. The manuscript exists in the Brihad Gyāna Bhandār, Jaisalmer.
- Sthūli Bhadra Rāsa:-was written by Dharmā in the year 1209 A.D. The manuscript is preserved in the Abhaya Granthālaya, Bikāner.
- Rewāntgiri Rāsa:-was composed by Vijaya Sena Sūri. It describes the historical importance of Rewāntgiri Tīrtha and was composed in the year 1231 A.D. The manuscript is available in Pāṭan Bhandār.
- Neminātha Rāsa:-by Sumatigani written in Samvat 1270 i. e. 1213 A.D. The manuscript of the work exists in the Brihad Gyāna Bhandār, Jaisalmer.
- Gaja Sukumāla Rāsa:—was composed by Delham, pupil of Jagat Candra Sūri.

 The date of the work is not given but as the time of Jagat
 Candra Sūri is about 1243 A.D. so the time of the poet
 may be 1255 to 1265 A.D. The manuscript is available
 in the Abhaya Granthālaya, Bikāner.

Gautama Rāsa was written by Vinayprabha in the year 1355 A.D. The work remained favourite among Jainas and so its manuscripts are preserved in several Bhandars.

Bhattaraka Sakal Kīrti was the great scholar of Samskrit, but he wrote some works in Hindi also. He wrote Solah Kāraņa Rāsa in the 15th century.

In the same century Brahma Jinadāsa was a great scholar who wrote more than 30 Rāsas. He was the pupil of Bhaṭṭāraka Sakal Kīrti. Some of the names of the Rāsas together with their short description are given below:—

(A) Karma Vipāka Rāsa¹:-It describes the fruits of Karmas and on the basis of actions. It narrates the stories of Rāma, Sīta and other great personnels.

^{1.} Abhaya Granthālaya, Bikāner.

- (B) Sudarṣana Rāsa¹:-This is a Rāsa on the life of Setha Sudarṣana who was famous for his character.
- (C) Śrīpāla Rāsa²:-This book describes in short the life of Śrīpāla and his wife Mainā Sundarī.
- (D) Ambikā Rāsa³:-Ambika is a Jaina Goddess. It is in praise of the same.
- (E) Jambu Swāmi Rāsa⁴:—The Rāsa describes the life story of Jambu Swāmi who had been a Jaina Sādhu in his young age.
- (F) Hanumata Rāsa⁵:-Hanumāna is also regarded a great person in the Jaina mythology. The Rāsa describes his life in short.
- (G) Holi Rāsa⁶:-It deals with the story of Holi according to the Jaina version.
 - (H) Samyaktva Rāsa⁷:-The Rāsa gives some stories according to the Jaina faith.
 - (I) Rātri Bhojana Rāsa⁸:—The book describes the demerits of taking food in night on the basis of story of Nagaśrī.
 - (J) Ajitanātha Rāsa⁹:—This describes the life of Lord Ajitnātha, the second Tīrthankara.
 - (K) Nagakumāra Rāsa 10 :- The life of Nāgakumāra is dealt with in this Rāsa.
 - (L) Jīvandhara Rāsa¹¹:—It describes the life of Jīvandhara who is amongst the 169 great persons.
 - (N) Nemisvara Rāsa¹²:-The Rāsa describes the life of Neminātha, a Jaina Tīrthankara.
 - (O) Rāmāyana Rāsa¹³:-This is a short story of Rāmāyana according to Jaina version.
 - 1. Amer Sastra Bhandar, Jaipur.
 - 2. to 3. Ibid.
 - 4. Agarwal Pancāyatī Mandir Śāstra Bhandar, Udaipur.
 - 5. to 11. Ibid.
 - 12. Sastra Bhandar, Terapanthi Mandir, Jaipur.
 - 13. Agarwāl Pancāyatī Mandir Sastra Bhandar, Udaipur.

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- (P) Dharmaparikśā Rāsa :- It is a summary of Dharma Parīkśā written by Amitigati in Samskrit.
 - (Q) Bhavaisya Datta Rāsa2:-This Rāsa describes the life of Bhāvisyadatta.
 - (R) Sukumāla Swāmi Rāsa³:-This Rāsa gives the life of Sukumāla Muni, who is famous for his penance.

Ācārya Jinasena completed his Neminātha Rāsa in the year 1501. It is a very short book and available in the Śāstra Bhandār of Jaina temple Badā Mandir.

The 16th century was notable period for the writing of the Rāsas. Brahma Rayamalla, pupil of Bhattāraka Ananta Kīrti wrote six Rāsas. All these Rāsas are very important from the linguistic point of view, the names of the Rāsas are as follows:—

- 1. Nemīsvara Rāsa composed in 1558 A.D.
- 2. Hanumat Rāsa composed in 1559 A.D.
 - 3. Pradyumna Rāsa composed in 1571 A.D.
 - 4. Sudarśana Rāsa composed in 1576 A.D.
- - 6, Bhavisya Datta Rāsa composed in 1576 A.D.

All these Rāsas are available in the Amer Sastra Bhandar, Jaipur.

Rūpacandra a famous Hindī poet of the same century wrote Neminātha Rāsa⁴. The work though a small one, describes the life of Neminātha in an artistic way. Tribhuvana Kī ti is the writer of Jīvandhara Rāsa⁵. It was completed in the year 1547 A,D. Vidyābhuṣana wrote Bhaviṣya Datta Rāsa⁶ in 1543 A.D. The work contains 525 stanzas.

- 1. Amer Sastra Bhandar, Jaipur.
- 1. to 3. Ibid.
- 4. Amer Sast a Bhandar, Jaipur.
- 5. Ibid.
- 6. Grantha Bhandar Jain Temple, Duni.

Bhattaraka Gyana Bhusana a famous scholar of 16th century wrote Satkarma Rāsa' in Hindī. Bhattāraka Subha Candra completed Palya Vidhān² Rāsa in the 16th century. Sumati Kīrti belonging to the same period completed Dharma Parīksā Rāsa' in the year 1568 A.D. He also wrote Lunkāmata Nirākarana Rāsa' but he has not given the Date.

Bhattaraka Ratna Kīrti was a 16th century scholar. He wrote Neminātha Rāsa in a fine manner. Brahma Gyāna Bhūṣaṇa composed Hanumat Carita Rāsa in the year 1573 A.D. The work describes the life of Hanumāna according to the Jaina faith. Sītāharaṇ Rāsa was written by Jayasāgar pupil of Mahicandra. Vijaya Deva Sūri completed his work Sīla Rāsa in the same century.

In the 17th century Anjanā Rāsa was written by Śānti Kuśal in the year 1610 A.D. In the same year Jayakīrti also completed his Aklanka Yati Rāsa. After its 5 years Matisāgar completed his work Dhannā Śāli Bhadra Rāsa⁷ in the year 1615 A.D. This work was popular among both the sects and its manuscripts are preserved in various. Bhandārs. Sanat Kumāra Rāsa⁸ was completed in the year 1620 A.D. by Pāsa Canda. Bhattāraka Jayakīrti wrote Vanka Cūla Rāsa⁹ in 1628 A.D. Thus we see that in the 17th century also the system of writting the Rāsas remained prevelent among the Jaina poets.

In the 18th century Sanghi Daulata Rāma of Būndī wrote Vrata Vidhāna Rāsa¹⁰. It describes the short stories on various vows.

ĀDHYĀTMA LITERATURE

In the Jaina Bhandars of Rajasthan, works on Adhyatma or spritualism are available in good number. As a matter of fact, in every work written by a Jaina

- 1. Grantha Bhandar Agrawal Pancayati Mandir, Udaipur.
- 2. to 4. Ibid.
- 5. Grantha Bhandar Sambhavanātha Jaina Temple Udaipur.
- 6. Amer Sastra Bhandar, Jaipur.
- 7. Sästra Bhandar, Tholia Jaina Temple, Jaipur.
- 8. Grantha Bhandar, Sambhavanatha Jaina Temple, Udaipur.
- 9. Amer Sastra Bhandar, Jaipur.
- 10. Ibid.

authors there is some matter which relates to Ādhyātma. According to the Jaina principle, soul is the king of the body, which is nothing but a collection of matter or Parmānus. One who loves this body cannot get rid of the cycle of death and birth. There is no difference between common person's soul and supreme soul, but there exists only a difference of Karmas. The soul of a common person on account of ignorance does not realise its nature as different from body. Every soul possesses a power to become supreme soul. As the Jaina theory does not believe in God as the creator or destroyer of the world, hence there is a large literature dealing with with soul.

SAMSKRIT WORKS

Ācārya Guṇabhadra, the author of Uttara Purāṇa is one of the earliest Saṃskrit scholar (10th century A.D.) who wrote Ātmānuśāsan¹. It deals with the soul and its functions, if it lives within the body. The work is of a high standard It contains 270 stanzas. The work is very popular and its manuscripts are found in most of the Jaina Grantha Bhandārs. Parswanāg also composed Ātmānuśāṣan in Saṃskrit in the same century i. e. 985 A.D. It contains 77 Kārikās and the manuscript exists in the Jaisalmer Grantha Bhandār.

Yogasāra² divided into nine Chapters and written in samskrit is ascribed to Amitigati a famous scholar of Samskrit Literature. The other name of the work is Gītavītarāga. This is a didactic poem written in very simple language and consisting mainly of moral instructions. He also wrote a Sāmāyika Pāṭha³ which is also full of Ādhyātma material. Amrita Candra a samskrit scholar of 10th century wrote commentaries on Samayasār, a famous work on Ādhyātma literature, in prose and poetry, which is called Samayasār Vratti and Samayasāra Kalaśā. Both the commentaries are very popular and are read with great interest.

Muni Sundar Sūri of Tapāgacha (1379 to 1486) wrote Adhyatma Kalpadrum in Samskrit. The work is divided into 16 Chapters.

Yaśovijaya, pupil of Naya Vijay belonging to Tapāgacha composed Ādhyātmasāra. It is divided in seven chapters and the total number of Ślokas appearing therein is 948. The manuscript is in Jaina Grantha Bhandārs of Bīkāner.

^{1.} Published from Jaina Grantha Ratnākar Kāryalaya, Bombay.

^{2.} Published from Bhārtīya Jaina Sidhānt Prakasinī Sansthā, Calcutta.

^{3.} Ibid.

In the Thirteenth century Āśādhara composed Ādhayatma Rahasya, in Samskrit poetry. It is very good work which describes the relations of soul with the body. The manuscript of this work has been recently found in Jain Śāstra Bhanḍār, Ajmer.

In the beginning of the 17th century Rājamal wrote Ādhyātma Kalpadrum a work of high standard on Ādhyātma. It is in four Chapters containing about 200 ślokas in all.

Somdeva a fomous Samskrit scholar also wrote Ādhyātma Taranginni which deals with this subject. Yasovijaygani of the Tapāgacha wrote Ādhyātma-Upnisat which is completed in four Chapters containing 77, 65, 44, and 32 stanzas respectively

WO IN PRĀKRIT AND APABHRAMŚA

Ācārya Kundakunda was the first scholar who wrote several works in Prākrit dealing with Ādhyātma literature. He belonged to Dravid Sangha in the Jaina community of the South. He is also called Vakragrīva—Elācārya Graddhapicha and his original name is said to have been Padmanandin. According to the Paṭṭāwalis he belonged to 1st century A. D. Samayasāra, Pravacansāra and Aṣṭapāhuda are his works in which; there is a description of soul, supreme soul, world and body. This kind of literature is comparable with Uniśat literature. These works and specially Samayāsar and Pravacanasāra are regarded as the best works on Ādhyātmavāda. The book Pravacanasāra consists three Chapters having 92, 108 and 75 Prākrit Gāthās. Samayasāra contains 439 Prākrit. Gāthās, divided into 9 Chapters. Aṣṭa Pāhud is divided in eight parts; Darśan (36 Gāthās), Sūṭra (27 Gāthās) Carita (44 Gāthās) Bodha (62 Gāthās), Bhāva (163 Gāthās) Mokśa (196 Gāthās), Linga (22 Gāthās) and Sīla (40 Gāthās). These works are very popular and are read with great interest. Their manuscripts are found and preserved in several Bhandārs of Jaipur, Nāgaur and Ajmer.

In the 8th century, Yogindu composed two marvellous works on Ādhyāta mavāda in Apabhramsa language. One is Parmātma Prakāsar and the other is Yogasāra. These have been written in most simple language. The relation between

^{4.} Āmer Sastra Bhandar, Jaipur.

^{2.} Ibid.

Ātmā and Parmātma, body and soul, duties of a human being, condition and undurability of the world are described. These works are above standard and may be placed in the cadre of Santa literature.

Dharmadāsa Gani, a famous writer of Prākrit wrote Updeśamālā¹ in 542 Gāthās. The book is popular both in Digambaras and Swetāmbaras and its manuscripts are avrilable in most of the Bhandārs of Rajasthān. The work is in Prākrit. One Vritti of the work was written in Prākrit by Jaisingh pupil of Krsnanrsi in Samvat 913 (855 A. D.) Apart from this commentary there are more than 20 commentaries written in Samskrit and they are in the collections of the Jain Bhandārs of Rējasthān.

Kārtikeyanuprekšā² is also one of the high class works written by Swāmī Kārtikeya. It contains 489 Gāthās and puts before us the real picture of the World, man and his relations. The book teaches how we should live and what we should do. It is divided in 12 parts which are called Bhāvnās. Bhaṭṭāraka Śubha Candra wrote commentary³ in Saṃskrit in Saṃvat 1613 (1556 A.D.) and Jaya Candra Chābra translated it into Hindī prose⁴ in the 19th century.

Pravacana Sāroddhāra was composed by Nemicandra pupil of Amara Deva of Jina Bhadra. It is a detailed exposition of Jaina Philosophy. The total number of the Gāthās is 1599.

HINDI WORKS ON ĀDHYĀTMAVĀD

There is a large literature in Hindī on Ādhyātma. Some work of Samskrit and Prākri were translated into Hindī & some new works were composed. Dvādaśānuprekśāt of Lakśmi Candra is the first work on this subject, written in old Ḥindī. It was composed in about 12th century. Roop Candra wrote Parmārthadohā Śataks which is purely on Ādhayātma. It contains 102 stanzas. His new work Ādhyātma Savaiyās has recently been discovered which is based totally on Ādhyātma Literature.

Rājamala a scholar of 16th century translated the Samayasāra a work of Kundakunda into Hindī prose. It was perhaps the first attempt to write in Hindī prose. The manuscript of the works is in the collection of Āmer £āstra Bhanḍār, Jaipur of Vikram Samvat 1653 (1596 A.D.). Banārsi Dāsa a prominent Hindī writer wrote Samayasār. Nāṭak in the year 1636 A.D. This is a most popular work and is

^{1.} Amer Sastra Bhandar, Jaipur.

^{2.} to 6. Ibid.

^{7.} Published by Sasti Grantha Mölä, Delhi.

read widely. The manuscript of this work is housed almost in all the Grantha Bhandars. Apart from this Banarsidasa also wrote Banarsi Vilas in which there are several small works.

Muni Mahicandra a Jaina saint wrote Ādhyātma Bārahakharī in about 14th century. A copy of this Bārahkharī is available in Āmer Sāstra Bhandār Jaipur.

Brahma Dīpa a famous Hindī writer of 17th century wrote Ādhyātma Bāvanī¹ and Brahma Ajita of the same century wrote Ḥansagīta².

Hemrāja a famous Hindī poet of 17th century translated two works of Ācārya Kundakunda. Parmātma Prakāśa³ and Pravacanasāra⁴ into Hindī prose. The system of translating the Prākrit Gāthās in Hindī prose is very good. Another Hem Rāja of the same time composed Dohā Śatak⁵ which is also a fine work and contains 101 Dohās. Pāndey Rūpacandra of Khartārgaccha translated Samayasāra Nāṭaka of Banārsīdāsa into Hindī prose⁶. This work was completed in the year 1665.

Dīpacand Kāslīwāl of Rājasthān wrote Ātmāvlokan, in the year 1720. Pandit Daulat Rāma Kāsliwāl wrote Ādhyātma Bārahkharī, in the year 1741. This is perhaps the biggest work ever written on this subject containing more than 5000 verses. The only manuscript available is in the Jaina Śāstra Bhandār Badā Mandir, Jaipur. Pandit Todar Mal a famous scholar of 18th century translated Ātmānuśāṣana into Hindī prose.

Jodharāja Godhā of Sāngāner (Jaipur) translated Pravacansāra⁹ into Hindī oetry in the year 1677 A.D.

Apart from this there were several Hindī poets who wrore small works in Hindī. The poets like Rūpacandra, Banārsīdāsa Ānanda Ghana, Bhudhara Dāsa, and Dhyānat Rāi wrote Hindī Padas full of Ādhyātma matter.

- : 1. Grantha Bhandar Mandir Lunkaranajī, Jaipur.
 - 2. Sāstra Bhandar Naya Mandir, Jaipur.
 - 3. Śāstra Bhanḍār of Tholia Jain Mandir, Jaipur.
 - 4. to 5. Ibid.
 - 6. Amer Sastra Bhandar, Jaipur.
 - 7. Ibid.
 - 8. Sāstra Bhandar, Terapanthī Bada Mandir, Jaipur.
 - 9. Amer Sastra Ehandar, Jaipur.

LITERATURE ON JAINA PHILOSOPHY 1822 ...

There is a large literature on the Jaina Philosophy in the Jaina Sāstra Bhandārs of Rājasthān. The earliest exponents of the Jaina Philosophy preached the doctrines in the Ardha-Magadhi Bhāṣā. The literature on Philosophy related to the Āgams is found in the Āgams like Sūtra Kratānga, Sthānānga, Samvāyānga, etc. All these works are in Prākrit.

Ācārya Kunda Kunda wrote Pancāsti Kāya in Prākrit which describes the five kinds of Astikāyas i.e, Jīva, Dharma, Adharma, Ākāśa and Kāla.

Samanta Bhadra, one of the most famous Philosopher of his time composed Āpta Mīmānsā in Samskrit which is considered an introductory portion of the Jain philosophy. Alankāra a distinguished and famous philosopher of 7th century wrote commentary on Āpta Mīmānsā called Asta Sational His other works are Laghiyastraya, Pramāṇa Sangrah, Nyāyaviniścaya, Siḍḍhiviniścaya. These are authorititive works on Jaina Philosophy.

Haribhadra Sūri a great philosopher wrote works on Jaina Philosophy and supported views of Anckānta. Anekānta Jayapatāka, Ṣaḍ Darśana Samuccaya. Anekānta Vāda etc. are his works. Māṇikya Nandi (800 A.D.) was the author of Parikśāmukha, a short book on Jaina philosophy. This work has a commentary called Premeyakamal-mārtanda by Prabhācandra (about 825 A.D.). He also wrote Nyāyakumud Cundrodaya a commentary on the Laghiyastraya of Aklanka. Vidyānandi was also the authority on Jaina Philosophy. He wrote several works big and small ones which are Āptaparīkśā. Patraparīkśā and Aṣṭa Sahasrī and Pramāṇaparikṣā are his famous works. He made commentary on Yuktyanuṣāṣana of Samanta Bhadra also.

In the 10th century Davesena composed three small works of great importance called Laghunayacakra, Vrihadnayacakra with commentary and Ālāp Pāḍḍhatī. Anant Vīrya wrote commentary on Parīkśamukha of Mānikya Nandi and the other on Siddhiviniscaya of Aklank. The commentary on Parīkśāmukha is called Prameya Ratnamālā.

To Hemcandra (1088 to 1172 A.D.) are attributed the Pramāna-Mīmānsā with his own commentary and Ananyayogvyavchedikā in praise of Arhat. Devasūri a contemporary of Hemcandr is the author of Pramāṇanayatatwālokālankāra on which he himself wrote a commentary called Syādavāda Ratnākar. Candraprabha

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^{1.} Amer Sästra Bhandar, Jaipur.

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wrote the Darsana Sudhi and Prameya Ratan Koşa (1100 A.D). The Vītarāga stuti of Hemcandra was commentated by Mallisena in the year 1292 A.D. Maghanandi pupil of Kumārcandra wrote Padārthasāra.

Rāja Šekhar Sūri (1348 A.D) is the author of many works among which the Syādavādakalikā, and Panjikā, the commentary on Nyayakandali of Śrīdhara are worth mentioned. Somtilak wrote commentary on Şatdarśana (1335 A.D) which was composed by Haribhdra Sūri. Merutanga pupil of Mahendra Sūri wrote Ṣat Darśana Nirnaya in Samskrit. Gunaratan Sūri, the pupil of Deva Sundara completed commentary called Tarka Rahasya Dipika in 1409 A.D. on Haribhadra's Sad Daršana Samuccaya.

Dayāratan wrote Nyāyaratanāvali in 1569 A. D. and Subhaga Vijaya composed Tark Bhāṣā Vārtika in 1606 A. D. and Syādavāda Bhāṣā in 1610 A.D. Yasovijaya a prominent Samskrit scholar of 18th century wrote several works on Jaina philosophy among which are Aṣṭaṣaṣṭivivaraṇa, Anekāntavyavasthā, Gyānabindu, Jaina Tark Bhāṣa etc. etc. Last of all the works on Philosophy is the Nyāya Dipika by Abhinava Dharma Bhūsaṇa which is a very popular and short work and available in most of the Grantha Bhandārs.

SHORT STORIES OR KATHĀŚ

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Short stories are very popular among the Indians from very early time. They are based on adventures, sea voyages and other occurances and also on the imagination of those who could invent stories. But the Jainas along with the above characteristics adopted the form of the stories to present their doctrines. Most of the stories were written in order to present the Jaina doctrines through literary form.

Pādlipta Sūri was the first scholar who wrote Tarangavatī in Prākrit. This work is mentioned in Āvasyaka Visesyabhāsya of Jaina Bhadra Gani. The manuscript of this work is not available in the Jaina Grantha Bhandārs. But Tarangalola which is based on Tarangawatī Kathā is available in Jaina Grantha Bhandārs, Bīkāner. There are 1643 Gāthās in the work. This is a very good romantic love story Dr. Winternitza called it earliest religious novel (Dharma Kathā).

Haribhadra Sūri was a famous writer of Rājasthān. Samraicakahā, Vīrangad Kathā, Kathākoṣa and Dhūrtākhyān are the some of his works. All these works are in Prākrit language, and they may be described as religious stories. Among these works Samaraicea Kahā is the most famous work and it is proto-type copy of Tarangawatī.

Siddharsi an other famous story writer completed his work Upamiti Bhāva Prapanca Kathā, in Samvat 906 i. e. 849 A.D. This is a good and interesting work.

In Vikram Samvat 989 (932 A. D.), Harisena wrote Kathā Koṣa¹ in Apabhramsa. The Kathā Koṣa may be called a rich mine of tales or Treasury of stories. The work contains 158 stories written in very simple language. Several of these stories belong to Universal literature.

Another Kathā Kāvya² Ratnākaranda in Apabhramsa is of Sricandra containing 53 tales in equal number of Chapters. The work pertains to 10th century.

Kathā Koṣa Prakaran which was written by Ācārya Jineśvara in the year 1092 A.D. contains 36 main stories and 5 secondary stories. Gyanpancami Kathā is the collection of ten stories namely Jayasena Kahā, Nanda Kahā, Bhadda Kahā, Vīra Kahā, Kāmtā Kahā, Gunrāj Kahā, Dharma Kahā, Devi Kahā and Bhaviṣya Knhā. The author of these stories is Maheśvara Sūri. All of them are in the Prākrit language. Vijay Candra Kevalin was written by Candraprabha Mohatta in 1070 A.D. There are eight stories in the collection.

Kālkacārya Kathānaka is a short novel in Prākrit prose and poetry. The story is very interesting and gives some historical facts. It is regarded a work of 10th century.

Mahendra Sūri is the writer of Narmadā Sundari Kathā (1130 A.D). The work is in Saṃskrit. Nārcandra Sūri pupil of Devprabha Sūri is the writer of Kathā ratna Sāgar in Saṃskrit. Another Kathā Sangrah is a collection of 81 moral stories in Saṃskrit prose. It was composed by Rāja Sekhar of the Harṣapuria Gacha. Kathā Mahodani is a collection of 157 stories based on the Karpoor Prakaran of Hariṣena. It was composed in Saṃvat 1504 (1447 A.D.), by Soma Candra Gani pupil of Ratna Sekhar Sūri of Tapāgacha. Rājsekhar-Narpati Kathā was written in Prākrit by Jina Harṣa pupil of Jaya Candra of Tapāgacha. He was a scholar of 15th century. Somakīrti pupil of Bhimasena composed Saptavyasana Kathā in 1469 A.D. Gunakar Sūri was the writer of Samyaktva Kaumadi. It contains more than 60 stories. These are told in the style of Pancatantra. In 1400 A.D. Jayasekhar also completed Samyaktva Kaumadi in Saṃskrit. Somadeva finished his work Samayaktva Kaumudi³ Kathā in Saṃvat 1573 (1516 A.D).

^{1.} Amer Sästra Bhandar, Jaipur.

^{2.} Ibid.

^{3.} Sästra Bhandar Tholia Temple, Jaipur.

This was translated into Hindī by Jodhrāj Godika in Samvat 1724 (1667 A.D). He was a Rājasthāni scholar. Lal Candra Vinodilal also composed Samyaktva Kaumudi Katha in Hindī in Samvat 1879 (1822 A.D).

Punyāśrawa Kathā Koṣa³ was written by Mumukśu Rāmcandra. This is a very favourite book which tells stories which are the root of Punya. There are 65 stories in the work. This⁴ was translated into Hindī prose by Daulatrāma in the year 1720 A.D. These stories are read with great interest in the Digambar Jaina community.

Kathā Ratnākar a collection of 258 stories was composed by Hemvijaygani in Samvat 1600 A.D. This work is divided into 10 Tarangas.

Bhārāmalla a Hindī Scholar of 17th century wrote four stories called Darsana Kathā⁵, Nisi Bhojan Kathā⁶ Dāna Kathā⁷, and Sīla Kathā⁸. The stories are written in a very simple language and are very popular. The manuscripts of these stories are available in several Bhandārs.

Apart from these works the manuscripts of Pancatantra and Hitopadeśa are available in several Bhandārs of Rājasthān. These are also read with great interest.

SUBHĀṢITA AND NĪTI ŚĀSTRA

There is a good number of works written by Jaina Scholars on the subject of Subhāṣita and Nīti Śāstra.

Amogha Varsa composed Prasnottar Ratna Mālā in the 8th century A.D. in Samskrit. It contains 30 Samskrit stanzas on morality. There are two main commentaries on this. One is by Hemprabha and other by Davendra of 1276 A.D. and 1372 A.D. raspectively.

- 1. Sāstra Bhandar, Tholia Jaina Temple, Jaipur.
- 2. Amer Śāstra Bhandar, Jaipur.
- 3. Sästra Bhandar, Digambara Jain Teräpanthi Mandir, Jaipur.
- 4. Ibid.
- 5. Śātra Bhandar Tholia Jaina Temple, Jaipur.
- 6. to 8. Ibid.

Somadeva wrote Nitivākyamrata, a very good work on Nīti Śāstra in Samskrit. This was completed in 959 A.D. Nīti Śāstra was also written by Tilak Prabha Sūri, pupil of Devendra Sūri of the Pūrnima Gachā. Indranandi was the writer of Nītisāra. It contains 113 stanzas in Samskrit.

Ksatra Cūdamani also called Jīvandhara Carita was the work of Vādībha Singh. It is good work of Nīti Śāstra and gives also life sketch of Jīvandhar,

Mallisena, a Samskrit scholar of 16th ceutury wrote Sajjan Citta Ballabha¹ which contains 26 moral stanzas. Ratanmālā² is ascribed to Siva Koti. It contains 67 stanzas in Samskrit. In the 18th century Devīdāsa wrote Rājnīti Kavitta³ in Hindī which contains 113 verses.

SUBHĀSITA:

Amiti Gati, a famous Samskrit writer wrote Subhāsita Ratna Sandohā⁴ in the year 994 A.D. It has 32 Chapters on the rules of ethics both for monks and laity.

Somprabha Sūri was a famous writer of Suktī-Muktāwali⁵ in Samskrit. This is also known by the name of Sindūrprakaraṇa and contains a collection by 103 Samskrit stanzas on different subjects of morality. Banārsīdāsa a famous Jaina Hindi poet of 17th century translated it into Hindī poem. The work is equally popular both among the Digambars and Swetāmbars. Most of the Śāstra Bhandārs possess the manuscripts of this work.

Subhāṣitāvali⁶ was composed by Sakalkīrti in the Saṃskrit. It contains 392 Saṃskrit Ślokas. Śubhacandra pupil of Vijaykīrti wrote Subhāṣitārṇava⁷ in Saṃskrit. Both the works are read with great interest, and their manuscripts are available in good number.

Sūktāvali is a portion of Padmanandi Pancavinsati which was written by Padmanandi in Prākrit. This also has a good response.

- 1. Amer Śāstra Bhandar, Jaipur.
- 2. Bhattarkiya Sastra Bhandar, Nagaur, Philippin .
- 3. Śstra Bhandar Jaina Temple Tholia, Jaipur.
- 4. Amer Sastra Bhandar, Jaipur. Sagara van de angere
- 5 to S. Ibid.

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Subhāṣitāvali was a work of Tilakprabha Sūri. Sūktāvali is the work of Vijaysena pupil of Hariṣeṇa. It is also called Karpūr Prakaraṇ. It was composed in about 1550 V. S. (1493 A.D). Laxmi Vallabhagaṇi also collected some sūktis in 16th century in Saṃskrit.

There is also a good literature on this subject in Hindī. The poets like Thakursi (16th century), Chihal (16th century), Vūca Rāja (16th century), Rūpcanda (17th century), Hemrāja (17th century), Bhudhardāsa (18th century) Dhyānat Rāi (19th century) wrote several small works in Hindī. Chihal wrote Bāvanii in the 16th century which is full of moral teachings. Doha Śataka² of Rūpcanda is a famous work on the subject. Banārsīdāsa wrote Bāvani³, Upadeśa Śatak¹ and other small poems which are collected in the Banārsī Vilāsa⁵. Manohardāsa composed Gyān Cintāmaṇi⁶ in Samvat 1729 which is full of subhāsitas.

Bhudhardāsa, a famous Hindī writer composed Jaina Sataka, which contains several Hindī stanzas on Subhāsita. Hemrāja in the 17th century wrote Dohā Sataka, which deals with this subject. Pannālāl Caudharī translated the Subhāsitāvalī, into Hindī in the 19th century.

There are hundreds of manuscripts of Nīti Śataka¹⁰ of Bhartriharī and Kāmandakīya Nītisār¹¹ in the Jaina Śāstra Bhandārs of Rājasthān. In some of the Bhandārs the number of the manuscripts are more than 50. This shows the popularity of these works amongst Jainas.

- 1. Amer Śāstra Bhandar, Jaipur.
- 2. to 3. Ibid.
- 4. Sästra Bhandar Tholia Jaina Temple, Jaipur.
- 5. Ibid.
- 6. Amer Sastra Bhandar, Jaipur.
- 7. Ibid.
- . 8. Sastra Bhandar of Tholia Jaina Temple, Jaipur.
- 9. Sästra Bhandar of Baba Dulicand, Jaipur.
- 10. Amer Sastra Bhandar, Jaipur.
- 11. Ibid.

JYOTĪṢA. LITERATURE

There are numerous works on Jyotisa literature written by the Jaina authors & which are available in the Jaina Bhandārs. The Jainas contribution towards Jyotisa literature is quite large. Astronomy, Astrology and Mathematics formed the main divisions of this Branch, and it can be safely said that contributions of the Jaina Scholars towards all the three branches are considerable.

Sūryapragnapti, Candragnapti and Jyotişa Karanda which are written in Prākrit language deal with Astronomy. Malayagiri of the 4th century wrote commentaries in Samskrit on all the three works.

Bhnwan Deepak was composed in Samvat 1221 (1164 A.D.) by Padma-prabha, pupil of Devasūri of the Nāgpurīya Tapāgaccha. A commentary was written on this work by Singhatilak Sūri in Samvat 1326 (1269 A D.).

Udayaprabha is the author of Ārambhasiddhi which deals with Astronomy. Hemahansa Gani wrote commentary on it in Samvat 1514 (1457 A.D.). Thakkar Pheru wrote Jyotisasāra in 1315 A.D. It is in Prākrit and deals with astronomy and astrology both.

Haribhadra Sūri wrote Lagan Śuḍḍhi. Nārcandra, the famous Astrologer composed Nārcandra Jyotiṣa Śāstra in 257 stanzas. He belonged to Maldhari Gaccha. This is a very popular work and therefore its manuscripts are found in several Bhanḍārs of Rājasthān.

Harşakīrti wrote Jyotisa Śāstra. It contains three Chapters. He also composed Janmapatrī Paddhati and Lagnavicāra in Samskrit. Jyotisa Sāra was composed in Samvat 1621 (1564 A. D.) by Hīra Kalaśa of Khartar Gaccha. It is in Prākrit and contains two Chapters.

On the subject like Mathematics Jain scholars showed great interest. Mahāvīrācārya was the first scholar who contributed to this field one of the richest works on Mathematics by writing Ganitasāra sangrah. He was a 8th century scholar and lived at the time of Amoghavarsā, the Rīṣṭakūṭa Prince. Śrīdharācārya wrote Ganitāsar in the year 1046A.D. This is also in Samskrit. In the 12th century Rājāditya, a great scholar of Mathematical science composed Vyavahāra Ganita in Samskrit. Līlāvatī which is also a famous work on this science remained popular amonst the Jainas and commentaries both in Samskrit and Hindī have been written by them. Hemarāja, a 17th century scholar composed in Hindī a work named Ganitisār.

GRAMMR

In the field of Grammar also contribution of the Jainas is quite large. Pūjyapāda was the first Jaina Gramarian in Samskrit, who wrote Jainendra Vyākaraṇa¹ in Samskrit. The original text has come down in two versions. One version has 3000 Sūtras and other contains 3700 Sūtras. On the first version two commentaries were written. Mahāvratti² by Abhayanandi (750 A.D) and Pancavastu³ by Srutakīrti. The second version also contains two commentaries one by Somadeva (11th century A.D.) which is called Śabdārṇava Candrikā and the second is by Guṇanandi which is called Prakriyā.³

Éakatāyan was another prominent Gramarian who wrote a grammar called Sabdānusaṣana⁴. He lived between Saka year 736 and 789. He also made commentary called Amogha Vritti. This work is on the model of Grammar of the Jainendra and Pāṇini. It contains 3200 stanzas.

Hemcandra was another famous Gramarian who wrote Siddha Hema Sabdānuśaṣana. He also wrote commentary called Laghuvratti and Vrihad Vratti. There are about 28 commentaries on Sabdānuśaṣana. Some of them written by the author himself and others by the different scholars.

Gunaratan Sūri pupil of Davendra Sūri composed Kriyāratna Samuccaya' in the year 1409 A.D. Kavi Kalpadrum was composed by Hansukla. He composed his work according to the system of Hemcandra's grammar.

Sarvavarman, who was the contemporary of Gunādhya was engaged to teach grammar to King Sātavāhan. He devised a very simple system of simple grammer which is contained in Kātantra Rūpamālā. The book is very popular and easy to study.

DRAMA

There are some manuscripts relating to dramas in the Grantha Bhandars of Rajasthan. Dramas written by non-Jaina authors are also available in these Grantha Bhandars.

- 1. Grantha Bhandar Digambar Jaina Bada Terapanthi Mandir, Jaipur.
- 2. Ibid.
- 3. Published by the Sanātan Jaina Granthāmala, Vārānasi.
- 4. Published by Jethārām Mukundji Bombay.
- 5. Published in Y. J. G. Series Vārānasi 1908.

Hastimala a famous Jaina dramatist wrote dramas in Şamskrit. The names of the dramas are as under:—

- (1) Vikrānta Kaurava¹ or Sulocanā Nāţaka,
- (2) Maithalī Kalyāņa2
- (3) Subhadrā3
- (4) Gyāna Suryodaya4

In the 12th century Rāmacandra Sūri pupil of Hemacandra Sūri wrote Nala Vilāsa Nāṭak in Saṁskrit. It is a ten act drama. His dramas are as follows.

- (1) Kaumudi Mitrānand (Prakaraņa)
- (2) Nirbhaya Bhīma (Vyāyoga)
- (3) Mallikā Makaranda (Prakaraņa)
- (4) Yādavābhyudaya (Nāṭak)
- (5) Raghuvilās (Nāṭak)
- (6) Rohini Mrigānka (Prakaraņa)
- (7) Vanamalā (Nāṭak)
- (8) Satya Hariscandra (Nātak)
- (9) Raghavābhyudaya (Nāṭak)

Candra Lekhā Vijaya Prakaraṇa was composed by Muni Deva Candra pupil of Hemacandra. It is in Prākrit and Saṃskrit. A manuscript of this work is preserved in the Grantha Bhanḍār, Jaisalmer. A manuscript of Hammir Mardan by Jayasingh Sūri dated Saṃvat 1296 (1239 A.D) is also preserved in the Jaisalmer Bhanḍār.

^{1.} Published in the M.D.G. series Bombay.

^{2.} Ibid.

^{3.} Preserved in the Jaina Siddhanta Bhavan, Arah.

^{4.} Ibid.

Gyān Sūryodaya Nāṭak¹ was composed in Samvat 1591 (1534 A.D.) by Vādicandra Sūri pupil and successor of Prabhā-candra, successor of Gyāna Bhūsana of the Sarasvatī Gacha.

On the drama of Anargha Rāghava, there are three commentaries written by Jaina authors namely Jina Harsa Gaṇi², Devaprabha³ and Nārcandra Sūri⁴.

The manuscripts of the various dramas written by great dramatist like Kālidāsa, Śūdrak, Viśākhadatta etc. are also available in the Jaina Grantha Bhanḍārs of Rājasthān. Apart from these famous dramas, Partha Parākrama Vyāyoga written by Yuvarāja Prahlāda and Dūtangad of Subhaṭa Kavi are also preserved in the Grantha Bhanḍār of Pānḍya Lūnkaraṇa., Jaipur.

A manuscript of Sabhāsāra Nāṭaka written by Raghu Rāma in Hindi is available in the Grantha Bhandār of Terāpanthī Jaina temple, Jaipur.

ĀYURVEDIC WVRKS

On the subject of medicine also the contribution of the Jaina Scholars is not meagre. They preserved the literature in both ways i. e. by way of writing new works and preserving the old ones written by the non-Jaina authors. Such kind of manuscripts are good in number in the Grantha Bhandars. We find several references according to which hundreds of works were composed by the Jaina scholars but most of them are not available in the Grantha Bhandars. We shall describe here only those works which are available.

Jagat Sundarī Prayogamāla⁵ was composed by Yaśah Kīrti in Prakrit. It deals with the medicines. Cāmundrāja wrote Jvara Timira Bhāskar⁶ in Samskrit The work mainly deals with the various kinds of fever. The work remained popular in the past.

- 1. Amer Sastra Bhandar, Jaipur.
- 2. Sangha Bhandar Prafoliavada, Patan.
- 3. Ibid.
- 4. Brihad Gyana Bhandar, Jaisalmer.
- 5. Sästca Bhandar of Digambar Jaina Temple Terapanthi, Jaipur.
- 6. Amer Sastra Bhandar, Jaipur.

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Ugrādityacārya wrote Kalyāņa Kārak¹ in Samskrit. It contains 22 Chapters and deals with the medicines. It states that a sound body alone can contain a sound soul. Amritaprabha Sūri also composed Yogaśatak, a Hindī translation of it is also available in the Śāstra Bhanḍār of Rāja Mahal (Tonk Dist).

Harsa Kīrti completed Yoga Chintamani² or Vaidyak Sārodhār in the year 1603 A. D. The work is very popular and its manuscript copies are available in most of the Bhandārs. Vaidyaka Sāra³ Sangrah was composed by Rāmcandra in Hindī in the year 1567 A. D. Rāmcandra was pupil of Jina Sena Sūri.

Nayanasukha son of Keśava composed Vaidya Manostavi in Hindī. It is a work of the 18th century. As the author was a resident of Jaipur, its manuscript copies are available in most of the Bhandārs of Jaipur City.

Tabbā commentary was written by Rūpacandra of Khartargachā on Sannipāta Kalikā in Hindī in Samvat 1731 (1674 A. D). Cainsukha composed Tabbā commentary on Pathyā Pathya Nirnaya in Samvat 1835 (1778 A. D). Gyāna Sūri wrote commentary on Mādhavanidan a famous work of Āyurveda.

Apart from the works there are several Gutakās which are exclusively written on the subject. Most of them are written in Hindī and describe several kinds of prescriptions. In this respect there is a great scope for research.

CHANDA ŚASTRA

The Jainas produced quite a large literature on Prosody also. Mahākavi Svayambhu a great scholar of Apabhramsa wrote Chandonusāṣan. It is a very popular work.

Jayadeva was the another scholar who wrote Chanda Sāstra⁵ in 8th century A.D. A commentary on which was written by Sri Vardhana Harşa and Sricandra.

- 1. Bhattarkiya Śāstra Bhandar Śaravana Belgolā.
- 2. Amer Sastra Bhandar, Jaipur.
- 3. to 4. Ibid.
- 5. Jaina Granthāvali published by Jaina Swetāmbara Conference. Bombay. 1919 A.D.

In Vikrama Samvat 1050 (993 A. D), Jayakīrti composed Chandānuśāsana: Chanda Koṣa² was completed by Ratan Śekhara pupil of Hema Tilak of Nagpuriya Tapagacha. It consists of 74 Prākrit Gāthās. Nanditāḍhya,³ Chanda Sūtra of Devanandi is a work on Prākrit metres. Its correct name is Gāthā Lakśana. A commentary on it is also available which was made by Ratan Candra.

Hemcandra Sūri compeleted Chandonuśāṣana. The author himself wrote its commentary which is a popular work on prosody and its manuscripts are available in most of the Bhandārs. Amarcanda wrote Chanda Ratnāvali in Samskrit in the 13th Century. Prakrit Chand Koṣa by an unknown writer is preserved in the collection of the Śāstra Bhandār of Lūnkaranji Pāndya Jaipur. It is a good work on this subject. Pingal Chand Śāstra by Śri Nānūrāma in Hindī is in Sāstra Bhandār, Terāpanthi Mandir, Jaipur. The total number of verses is 1058.

Harirāma in the year 1651 A. D. wrote Chandaratnāvali which contains 211 Hindī verses. Apart from these works, there are several manuscripts of Śrutabodha written by Kālidāsa and Vratta Ratnākara by Bhaṭṭa Kedāra. Some of the Bhanḍārs contain more than 10 manuscripts of these works. The Jainas wrote commentaries on these works also. Somacandra Gaṇi wrote a commentary on Vratta Ratnākar in Vikrama era 1329 (1272 A.D.).

LAXICOGRAPHY

There are several works on Laxicography written by Jaina authors. The earliest text on which numerous manuscripts are available in the Jaina Bhandārs is the Nāmalingānuśaṣan of Amar Singh. There is a difference of opinion regarding Amarsingh. But it is a very podular work.

After Amarsingh, a great poet Dhananjaya wrote Nāma Mālā. The work is very much popular amongst the Jainas. It was translated into Ḥindī by Kavi Banārsīdāsa in Samvat 1690 (1933 A.D). The work is very simple but useful.

'Acārya Hemcandra (1088-1172 A. D.) wrote Abhidhāncintāmaņi-Nāma-Mālā. It is a famous Laxicon of Hema Candra. It consists of six Kāndas.

- 1. Brihad Gyana Bhandar, Jaisalmer.
- 2. Edited by H. D. Velankar in Bombay University Journal Art & Law, May 1933.
- 3. Amer Sastra Bhandar, Jaipur.
- 4. Grantha Bhandar Jaina Temple, Patodi, Janes J

Anekārtha Samgrah and Nighanţu are its supplement. There are several commentaries of the work available in the Jaina Grantha Bhandārs. The commentaries made by Kuśala Sāgara, Bhānu Candra Gaņi, Sādhu Ratan and Srivallabhagaņi are well known.

Ekāśara Nāmamālā was written by Sudhākalaśa pupil of Rāja Śekhar Sūri of Harśapuriya Gacha. Apart from these works the following works are also available in the Bhandārs outside Rājasthān.

- 1. Sabdabheda Nāmamālā1 by Maheshwar Sūri Samvat 1650 (1593 A.D).
- 2. Nāmā Mālā Sangraha² by Upādhyāya Bhānu Candra
- 3. Śārdī Nāma Mālā³ by Harşa Kīriti Samvat 1660 (1603 A.D.).
- 4. Sabda Ratnākar by Sadhu Sundargani of Samvat 1680 (1623 A.D.)
- 5. Ekākśara Nāmā Mālā5 by Visva Sambhu 1550 (1493 A.D),

P·ŪJĀ-LITERATURE

There is a large literature relating to Pūjā and Pratisthā in the Jaina Grantha Bhandārs, of Rājasthān. Pūjā is one of the six essential daily duties of every Jaina layman. They offer eight kinds of articles to deity and recite some stanzas while offering the articles.

Some of the famous Pūjā works which are generally read with great interest are as follows:—

| S. No. | Name of work | Composed by | Language | Year |
|--------|------------------------------------|---------------|----------|-------------|
| 1. | Jinsamhitā | Jinsenācārya | Saṁskrit | 9th century |
| 2. | Dharmacakra Pūjā | Mahākavi Vīra | ** | 11th , |
| 3. | Pratisthāsār or Jinayagya Kalpa | Āśādhar | " | 13th ., |

- 1. Jaina Granthavali published by the Jaina Swetambara Conference, Bombay.
- 2. Delā Upsāraya Bhandār. Ahmedabad.
- 3. Jain Siddhant Bhawan, Arrah.
- 4. Published in Y. J. G. series No. 36, Vārānasi,
- 5. Delā Upsāraya Bhandar, Ahmedabad.

| 4. | Pratisthāsāra Sangraha | Vasunandi | Samskrit | 13th century |
|-----------|------------------------------|---|-----------------|---|
| 5. | Daśalakśana Pūjā | Bhāv Sharma | Prākrit | 15th " |
| 6. | -do- | Raidhu | Apabhramsa | ,,, ,, |
| 7. | Şodasakāraņa Jaimāl | Raidhu | 99 | 99 99 |
| 8. | Vrihat Siddhi Pūjā | - 1 | Samskrit | |
| 9. | Ganadhar Valaya | Sakal Kīrti | >> | ,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,, |
| 10. | Daśalakśana Pūjā | Abhayanandi | . ,, | 33 33 , ' |
| 11. | Caturvidha Siddha Cakra Pūjā | Bhānukīrti | ** | 16th " |
| 12. | Jinasahasranāma Pūjā | Mūni Dharmchand | i " | 16th " |
| 13. | Risimandal Pūjā | Mūni Gunanandi | ,, | 16th " |
| 14. | Cāritra Śuḍḍhi Vidhān | Subha Candra | 99 | 17th " |
| 15. | Sardhadwaya Dwīpa Pūjā | • •• | ,,, | 97 97 |
| 16. | Rohiņi Vrat Pūjā | Mandalacārya | | |
| | | Śri Keśava | " | . 99' / 99 |
| 17. | Dharmacakra Pūjā | Dharma Bhūṣaṇa | 25 | ; ; |
| 18. | Panca Parmeșți Pūjā | Yaśonandi | 99 | 27 29 |
| 19. | -do- | Subha Candra | " | 99 99 |
| 20. | Dhamacakra Pūjā | Yasonandi | ,, | 99 99 ' |
| 21. | Trinsatcaturvinsānti Pūjā | Subha Candra | ,, | 16th century |
| 22. | Karm Dahan Pujā | • | • •• | 16th century |
| 23. | -do- | Tekacand | Hindī | 18th " |
| 24. | Solahkaran Pūjā | Dhyanat Rai | Hindī | 18th ,, |
| 25. | Adhāī Dweep Pūjā | Dālu Rām | Hindī | 1822 A.D. |
| 26. | Indra Dhwaj Pûjā | Viswa Sena S | amskrit | 1853 A.D. |
| 27. | Causatha Ridhi Pujā | Swarup Cand | Hindī | 1853 A.D. |
| 28. | Caturvinșati Tīrthankar Pujā | Ramcandra | Hindī | 19th century |
| 29. | -do- | Vrindavan | Hindî | 19th century |
| 30. | Tinaloka Pūjā | Tekacand | Hindî | 1771 A.D. |

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STOTRA LITERATURES AND THE START OF THE STAR

The Jaina Ācāryas wrote hundreds of the small prayers in praise of Tīrthankaras and other great personalities. These are called stotras or stutis. The stotras are found in Prākrit, Apabhramsa, Samskrit and Ḥindī languages. Although according to the Jaina Philosophy God is neither the Creator nor the Destroyer of the Universe and in this sense they do not praise the Tīrthankaras yet as the Tīrthankaras are the omnicient and have attained the Nirvāna and because they guided the people, how to get rid of the ties of the Karmas, their praise is sung and hundreds of the works have been written in the shape of stotras. The stotra works written by the Jaina scholars are numerous. There is not a single Grantha Bhandar in which some stotras are not available:

Samant Bhadra, a great Philosopher of 6th century wrote two stotras. One is Yuktyanuśāṣana¹ written in the praise of Lord Mahāvīra and the other is Swāyambhu Stotra² which is in praise of all the twenty four Tīrthankaras. There are two commentaries on these stotras. One is written by Āśādhara and the other is by Pandit Prabhācandra. Yuktyanuśāṣana is a philosophical stotrâ which serves both the purposes.

Muni Māntūnga composed Bhaktamāra stotra in Samskrit. The stotra is very popular in the Jaina community and has great reputation among the Digambars and Swetāmbars both. The time of the scholar is not known but according to some scholars, the poet might have lived as early as the beginning of the 3rd century A.D. The stotra is learnt by heart by every Jaina layman. It has 48 stanzas.

Ācārya Jinasena is the writer of Jinasahasranāma. It is divided into 10 Chapters and describes the one thousand names of the Jina. The stotra is also a favourite stotra. Three commentaries are available on this stotra. One is of Amar Kīrti³, the other is of Viswa Sena pupil of Viṣāl Kīrti of Kāsthā Sangha, and the third is of Śrutasāgar¹, a famous scholar of 17th century. Ācārya Padmanandi of 7th century composed Darśana Stotra which is remembered by every Jaina layman.

^{1.} Amer Sastra Bhandar, Jaipur,

^{2.} to < 3. Ibid:

^{4.} Sastra Bhandar, Digambara Jain Terapanthi Mandir, Jaipur.

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Dhananjaya, a famous scholar of 8th century wrote Viśāphāra stotra in praise of Lord Pārśwanātha. It has 25 stanzas. It is also one of the five stotras which are read by Jainas with great devotion.

Ajiya Śāntithava (Ajita Śānti Stava) was composed by Nandiṣeṇa who lived perhaps earlier than the 9th century. The stotra is in Prākrit and is in the praise of Ajita and Śāntinatha Tīrthankaras. Jina Śataka is a collection of a hundred stanzas in praise of the Jinas composed by Jambukavi. Vādirāja a famous scholar of Samskrit of 11th century wrote Ekībhāva Stotra. It is available in most of the Jaina Grantha Bhandārs. Bhūpāl Kavi constructed a hymn called Caturvinśati Stavan' in the praise of 24 Tīrthankaras in Samskrit. This is also a favourite stotra.

Abhayadeva Sūri, the celebrated commentator of the 11th century composed Jayatihuyana Stotra in Apabhramsa. It is also in praise of a Jina. Jina Vallabh Sūri wrote several stotras out of which 'Ajita Śānti Stotra', Jina Kalyānaka stotra, 'Vīrastavan' are some of them.

Rāmacandra Sūri also wrote several stotras, some of which are Yugādideva dvātrinśikā, Muni Suvratadvātrinśikā. Ādideva Stavan, and Nābhistavana.

Just like Bhaktāmara stotra, Kalyāna Mandira stotra is also well known and is equally esteemed by both the sects. The stotra was written by Kumuda Candra. It is a hymn written in the praise of Pārśwanātha.

Āśādhara a famous scholar of the 13th century wrote Jinasahasranāma Stotra in 1230 A. D. He also wrote commentary on Bhupāl Caturvinsatī, a stotra written by the Bhupāl poet in praise of 24 Tīrthankaras.

Jina Prabha Suri, a scholar of the 14th century wrote Gotama Stotra, Jinastuti, Panca Parmești Stavan, and commentaries on Ajita Śānti Stavan, Upasargahara Stotra, Bhayahara Stotra and Mahāvīra Stavana. Bhuvanatunga Suri also wrote comentary or Vritti on Riși Mandala Stotra in the 14th Century.

Aklanka Stotra was written by Aklanka son of Jinadāsa. This is also in praise of Jina. Devavijaya Gaņi wrote Jinasahasranāma on the same lines written previously by Jinasena and Āśādhara. Caturvinsati Jina Stuti have been written by various authors. Some of the famous poets are Bhupāl Kavi (13th century), Jinaprabha Suri (of Khartargachā), Bappabhaṭṭi, Sobhan, Sidhānt Harśa (1448.) Sakal Kīrti (15th century), Punyaśīla Gaṇi, and Keśavasena (16th century) etc.

Kamala Prabha wrote Jinapanjara Stotra in Samskrit. Padam Prabha composed Pārswanātha Stotra in Samskrit and Muni Rājasingh wrote Pārśwa Mahimna Stotra. Śāntinātha Stotra was written by Padmasundar in the 15th century while Visņu sena Suri composed Samavasaraņ Stotra.

In the Hindī language also there are numerous works on Stotra literature. Some of them are translations of the Samskrit or Prākrit stotras while others are original one. Hundreds of Stotras which are called Bhajanas and Padas in Hindi written by the various poets namely:—

| 1. | Delha | 14th Century |
|------|---------------------|---|
| 2. | Sakal Kīrti | 15th ,, |
| 3. | Brahma Jinadāsa | 15th " |
| 4. | Chīhal | 16th ,. |
| 5. | Thakursi | " |
| 6. | Vucarāja | ,, ,, |
| 7. | Rūpacand | 2) >> |
| 8. | Ānandaghana | 17th ,, |
| 9. | Banārsīdāsa | 77 27 |
| 10. | Vidyānanda | קנ נכ |
| 11. | Brahma Gulāla | " " |
| 12. | Pāndey Jinadāsa | > > -+ |
| 13. | Harşa Kīrti | >> >> |
| 14. | Samayasundara | 37 9 7 |
| 15. | Hīrānand | ? ? |
| 1166 | Hemarāja | ?? |
| 17. | Deepcand Kāslīwal | 18th Century |
| 18. | Acalā Kīrti | *** |
| 19. | Daulat Rāma | " |
| 20. | Bhaiyā Bhagwatīdāsa | " |
| 21. | Jagat Rāma |))) |
| 22. | Brahma Gyānasāgar | 27 |
| 23. | Bhudhar Dāsa | 27 39 |
| 24. | Ţoḍarmala | " |
| 25. | Jayacandra Chābrā | 19th |
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| 26. | Tekacandra | 19th Ce | ntury |
|-----|---------------|------------|-------|
| 27. | Dālu Rāma | ,, | , , |
| 28. | Naval Kavi | : , | ,, |
| | | ,, | |
| 30. | Dhyanat Raya | , , | *** |
| 31. | Sewārāma | | 95 |
| - | Thanasingh | , | ,, |
| 33. | Nayana Candra | •• | ,,, |

Apart from these stotras there are also hundreds of the stotras written by the non-Jaina writers and preserved in the various Grantha Bhandārs. Prayers written in praise of Lord Siva, Visnu and other Gods are in the collection of Jaina Bhandārs.

SEXUOLOGY

Manuscripts pertaining to sexual literature are also preserved in the collection of the Jaina Grantha Bhandārs. In the Gutkās there is sufficient material available in several Bhandārs of Rājasthān. Kokasāra of Ananda Kavi is available in several Bhandārs of Rājasthān. It is a work of the 17th century & composed at Sawāi Mādhopur. There are also manuscripts of Koka Prabandha and commentary on Rati Rahasya in the Sāstra Bhandār of Terāpanthī Badā Mandir, Jaipur. Kokilā Šāstra is also available in the collection of Šāstra Bhandār of Pāṭodī temple, Jaipur. It is in Samskrit written by an unknown author.

LITERATURE ON SONGS & DANCES

On the subjects like songs and dances, there had not been good many works but works which are available in the Grantha Bhandārs are as follows:—

Sangeet Samayasāra¹ was written by Pārśwa Candra pupil of Mahādeva of Abhaya Candra. It was composed in about 1350 V. S. (1293 A.D.). It is also called Sangīta Sāra Sangrah.

Sangīta Sārodhāra also called Sangītopniśada Sāra is the work of Sudha Kalaśa pupil of Rājaśekhar Suri of Maldhari Gacha. This is an abridgment of Sangītopniśada. The original work was composed in 1323 A.D. and the abridged in 1349 A.D.

^{1.} Puplished n the Trivandrum Series. Mysorc.

Sangīta Mandana is the work of Kavi Mandan. It was composed in V.S. 1480 (1423 A.D.). There is one manuscript dated 1504 A.D. in Jaina Grantha Bhandar of Jaisalmer.

There are some more works on this subject but not well known or important. The following works are quoted in the Jaina Granthāvali.¹

Sangīta Dīpikā, Sangīta Ratnāvali and Sangīta Pingala.

There are also some works in Jaina Sastra Bhandars which are written by the non-Jaina authors.

Nartanavicāra is the work of Pundarika Vīthal. Ii is in Samskrit and voluminous work on the art of Dance. Sangīta Ratnākar was written by Laxmanā-cārya son of Kelinātha. It is also in Samskrit.

Dāmodar is the author of Sangīta Śāstra Sāra. This is a summary of Sangīta Śāstra. Śrangadeva wrote Sangīta Ratnākar in Samskrit. It is a voluminous work of Sangīta and available in the Grantha Bhanḍār of Jaina temple Terapānthi, Jaipur.

Apart from these works in Samskrit, there is one work in Hindi namely Sangītasāra or Rādhā Govindā Sangītasāra written by Mahārāja Sawai Pratāpsingh This is also a voluminous work on Sangīta.

^{1.} Fublished by the Jaina Swetāmbar Conference, Bombay. 1904.

CHAPTER V IMPORTANCE OF THE GRANTHA BHANDARS

Since the adoption of system of writing, manuscripts were probably being written and placed in the Grantha Bhandārs. Grantha Bhandārs are therefore amongst the earliest literary institutions of the country. The collections are not of today but centuries old. They are the results of hard and continuous efforts from generation to generation. Before the manufacture of paper, the manuscripts were written on palm leaves, cloth and other material but when the palm leaves industry was replaced by paper industry, all the manuscripts were re-written on paper.

These Grantha Bhandars were the literary centres in true sense. They provided help to the scholars and reading public in enhancing their knowledge. But their importance lies not only in this but also in the fact that they saved the treasure of knowledge from destruction. In this respect, the contribution of Jainas is really great. Even today the earliest and authentic manuscripts of several works written by scholars other than the Jainas are preserved only in these bhandars.

But apart from the literary importance of these bhandars their importance may be acknowledged also from other point of view. They quenched the thirst of scholars and provided help to the lovers of history, Indian art and culture also. There is a great scope for research in these subjects on the basis of collections in these Bhandars. The manuscripts were not collected from the place where the Grantha Bhandar exists but they were brought from various places which were the centres of literature, culture and of political activity.

Amongst such places are Delhi, Agra, Ajmer, Amer, Abu, Nāgaur, Todārāisingh, Cātsu, Sāngāner, Bharatpur, Jaisalmer Jodhpur, Jaipur, Būndī, Māndalgarh, The manuscripts written or Dungarpur, Chittor, Ranthambhore and Udaipur. copied in these places provide information regarding names of the places, names of persons by whom they were got copied, after being copied to whom they were presented and lastly sometimes they mention also the cost incurred in obtaining them. This information is available in most of the manuscripts. The authors of Apabhramsa and Hindi works also give some description about the rulers of their time. The city or town where the manuscripts were written and the general conditions of the people there are described. Such information if collected and co-ordinated would provide good material for a cultural history of the times. These Bhandars have played a great part in the development of the educational and cultural life of the country, because in the past they were literary centres and continue to be so even at present. There are many manuscripts on the basis of which love of the common people for art and painting at that time can be judged. Taking into consideration all these points we shall now judge the importance of the Grantha Bhandars under the following heads:-

- (1) Historical Importance.
- (2) Literary Centres.
- (3) Educational Centres.
- (4) Material for Art and Painting.
- (5) Treasure houses of earliest manuscripts
- (6) Treasure houses of non-Jaina works.

1. HISTORICAL IMPORTANCE

The Grantha Bhandārs are very important from the historical point of view. There are several works exclusively on the subject of History. Besides, we find that the authors and copyists of the manuscripts give some description of the rulers, cities or towns where they wrote or copied and the patrons who encouraged learning. Such colophons called prasastis, are written generally either at the end or in the beginning of the works. On the basis of these, the time of many rulers can be determined and history of old cities and towns can be prepared. As manuscripts dated from 10th century onwards are available, so a history of past one thousand years can be reconstructed also on the basis of the material found in the Jaina Grantha Bhandārs.

There is a manuscript in the Śāstra Bhandār of Pāndyā Lūṇakaran of Jaipur, which gives the description of the emperors who had been on the Delhi throne. It also describes the history of the foundation of Delhi. According to it, it was in the time of Anangapāl that the city was founded and called Dhilli. The same word 'Dhilli' for Delhi was used by Srīdhara an Apabhramsa scholar of the 12th century in his Pāśaṇāh Cariu'. Similarly in the Śāstra Bhandār of Jaina temple Terapānthī, Jaipur there is a manuscript called "Rājavansa Varṇan" which presents a complete description of the rulers of Delhi from the Pāndavas onwards. It gives years and months of the reign of various rulers. For example about Prathavi-Rāja of Delhi, the author says:—

^{1.} विक्कमण्रिंद सुपिसद्ध कालि, ढिल्ली पट्टिण घणकण्विसालि । सणवासी एयारहसण्हि, परिवाडिए वरिसह परिगण्हि । कसण्ट्डमीहि अगहणमासि, रविवारि समाणिड सिसिरमासि ।

In the same way, the manuscript of Pāti Śāhikā Beorā narrates the reasons of downfall of Prathavi Rāja as follows:—

तव राजा पृथीराज संजोगता परणी। जीह राजा कैसा कुल मौला १६ सूरी का १०० हुआ त्याके मरोसे परणी ल्यायो। लडाई सावता करी। पणी राजा जैचद पूंगलो पूग्यो नहीं। संजोगता सरूप हुई। तहि के बसी राजा हुवो। सी महैला ही का रहो। महीना पंदरा वारों ने नीसर्यो नहीं।

We find references not only to the rulers of Delhi but also to rulers of states, Governors of provinces and districts and big Jāgīrdārs. Information about the rulers of various Rājpūt states of Jaipur, Bīkāner Udaipur, Būndī, Kotāh, Bharatpur and others can be collected. The references show that some of the Rājpūt rulers and administrators were great patrons of literature and art and under their rule, several manuscripts were copied. They encouraged scholars and patronized them.

Apart from the independent historical works, there are several works in which the authors make casual or incidental references which sometimes also prove helpful.

Banārsīdāsa, a famous poet of 17th century makes brief but correct references to Akbar and Jahāngīra and Sāhjahān in his "Ardha Kathānak" a life history of the poet himself:—

संवत् सौलहसै वासठा,
ग्रायो कातिक पावस नठा ।
छत्रपति श्रकवर साहि जलाल,
नगर ग्रागरे कीनो काल ॥२४६॥
ग्राई खबर जौनपुर मांह,
प्रजा श्रनाथ मई विनु नांह ।

पुरजन लोग भए भयमीत, हिरदै व्याकुलता मुख पीत ॥२४७॥

In the Şaţmālā Varnan a Hindī work of 1764 A. D. the poet Śrutasāgar gives an enlogic description of Bharatpur and its founder Surajmal.

देस काठहड विरिज में, वदनस्यंघ राजान । ताकै पुत्र है मली, सूरिजमल गुराधाम ॥ तेजपुंज रिव है मलो, न्यायनीति गुरावान,
ताको सुजस है जगत में, तप दूसरो मान ।।
तिनह जुनगर बसाइयो, नाम भरतपुर तास ।
सा राजा समदिष्टि है, पर विच्यार उपवास ।।

Mannā Lāla, a scholar of Jaipur wrote "Caritrasāra" in the year 1814 A.D. and at the end of the, work he describes Jaipur as follows:—

तहां सवाई जयपुर नाम, लसत नगर रचना ग्रिमराम । वहु जिन मन्दिर सहित मनोग्य, मानूं सुरगरा वसने जोग्य ।।४।) जगतसिंह राजा तसु जान, कंपत श्रिरगन करे प्रनाम । तेजदंत सवंतन विशाल, रीभत गूनजन करत निहाल ।।४।।

Jagat Rām, the writer of 'Padmanandi Panca-vinsati' writes about Aurangzeb:—

नवखंड में जाकी ग्रांन, तेजवंत दीपै जिम मांन। राज करे श्रीग्रवरंगसाहि, जाकैं नहीं किसी परवाहि।।

Lohat a famous poet of Hindi literature completed his Yasodhar Caupai in the year 1664 A.D. He gave some description of the Rāja of Būndī named Bhāvsingh in the following way:—

बूंदी इन्द्रपुरी जखिपुरी कि कुवेरपुरी,

रिद्धि सिद्धि मरी द्वारिका सी धरी घर में। धोलहर धाम घर घर में विचित्र वाम,

नर कामदेव जैसे सेवे सुखसर में। वापी वाग वारुरा वाजार वीथी विद्या वेद,

विबुध विनोद वानी बोले मुखि नर में। तहाँ करें राज भावस्यंघ महाराज,

हिन्दुवर्म लाज पातिसाही ब्राज कर में।

There are hundreds of the references in the Prasastis of the texts written by the Jaina authors.

Apart from the historical references about the rulers, there is a material for the Jaina Devans and Administrators of States like Jaipur, Jodhpur. Bīkāner, Udaipur and Būndi. Jainas occupied high posts in the States and always remained

loyal to their Rulers. The Devans and Administrators served the Rulers not only in the time of peace and prosperity but also in the time of war and troubles.

For the history of some ancient cities and towns not only of Rājasthān but also of India, the manuscripts preserved in these bhandārs, can supply material because in the most of the prasastis the names of the cities and towns are invariably mentioned and some descriptions supplied.

LITERARY CENTRES

The rulers of Rājasthān States took great interest in literature and patronised poets and scholars. Cāraṇas and Bhāts who were court poets created poetic literature. In the States there were Grantha Bhandārs or Pothīkhānās established by these rulers. Such bhandārs are of great importance and exist in Jaipur, Alwar, Udaipur & Bīkāner etc. The capitals of these States were the literary centres as the prominent scholars used to live in the Darbārs of these Rājpūt rulers. In the ancient time the cities like Campāvati, Todārāisingh, Mālpurā, Cittor, Nāgaur, Mertā, Āmer, Ranthambhore, Māndalgarh and Kumbhalgarh etc. were main centres.

But apārt from these libraries patronised by the rulers, there were several literary centres which were related to Jainas. These literary centres were generally called the Grantha Bhandārs where the work for writing of new works and copying out the old ones used to be done by the scholars. These Grantha Bhandārs or literary centres were under the spiritual heads of Jaina Church or Scholars of high calibre. Jaisalmer, Nāgaur, Ajmer, Bārān, Fatehpur, Āmer, Kotāh, Ranthambhore, Dūngarpur were the centres under the Bhattārakas or Jatīs while the Bhandārs of Sāngāner, Jaipur, Būndī, Campāvati, Udaipur and Sāgwārā were under the scholars who were generally requested by the house-holders to compose works for the laity.

These Grantha Bhandārs remained the centres of literary activities of many scholars. Padmanandi, Harişena (10th Century), Hari Bhadra Sūri, Āśādhar (13th century), Bhattāraka Sakal Kīrti (15th century), Bhuwan Kīrti (16th century), Šubha Candra (16th century), Rājmalla (16th century), Todarmal (18th century), Jaya Candra (19th century) and hundreds of others composed new works sitting in these bhandārs. The work of copying out the manuscripts was also continuously done for years together in the bhandārs of Todārāisingh, Mālpurā, Jaisalmer, Nāgaur, Ajmer, Āmer, Campāvati etc. We shall now give a short description of the literary centres which flourished in the past but at present have no grantha bhandārs or have small and insignificant collections.

ĀMER

Its real name was Āmbara¹ which is said to have been founded by Ambārisi son of Māndhātā. It is also said that Āmer is a corruption of Ambarisanagar. The other name of the old city is Ambāvati. Mahātmā Dhanrāja used the same word in his Praśasti of, Karma Kānda written in the year 1700. According to the 'Āmer Rājās Paṭṭāvali²', it was made a capital in the year 1192 A.D. by Rāja Kilāṇ. It was also famous by the name of Āmragarh. During the reign of Rājā Mānsingh it acquired a prominent place in the Rājpūt States. Rāja Mānsingh made Dilārāma Garden at the foot of Āmer Palace or Fort. There is a temple of Kālī who was brought by the same Rāja from Bengal and which is also famous by the name of Ambā.

Āmer remained also a centre of Jainas. There are 8 old Jaina temples in the city and temple of Neminātha called Sāmwalā Bābā kā Mandir is the oldest one. A Grantha Bhandār was also established when the temple was constructed. It developed in the time of Bhattāraka Lalit Kīrti (16td century). In the year 1559, Pāndāva Purāṇa³ was copied by Śāh Nemā and presented to Mandalācārya Lalit Kīrti. There are several manuscripts in the Grantha Bhandār of Āmer, Jaipur and other places which were copied in this city. Some of the manuscripts copied in this city are as follows:—

- (1) In the year 1554 A. D. Jindatta Carita⁴ of Pandit Lakhu was copied. Rājas Bhārmalla was then the ruler of the city.
- (2) Harivansa Purāṇa⁵ was got copied by Shrimati Khemi for the presentation to Mandalācārya Lalit Kīrti in the year 1559 A.D. Rājā Bhārmalla was the Ruler of the city.
- (3) Vadhamān Kathā⁶ of Jaymitrahala, an Apabhramsa poet, was copied in the year 1598 A. D. in the Neminātha Jaina temple. Rāja Mān Singh was the Ruler of Āmer at that time.
- (4) In the year 1640 A.D. Samayasāra Kalśā, was copied under Mahārāja Jaisingh.

^{1.} Arch Survey Report Vol. 2.

^{2.} Prasasti Sangrah-Āmer Sāstra Bhandar, Jaipur. 8

^{3.} to 5. Ibid.

^{6.} Grantha Bhandar, Jaina Temple Patodi, Jaipur.

^{7.} Ibid.

Not only where the manuscripts copied but there had been Scholars who contributed several works to this city. Bihārilāl, a famous Hindī poet wrote Bihārī Satsai in the Āmer City. Nemicandra composed Harivanṣapurāṇa in the year 1712 A.D. in Hindī. He describes Āmer in the following manner:—

श्रवावती गढ संभिता, गिर विच वसे श्रपार।

कोट बुरिज श्ररू कांगुरा, दरवाजा बहु सार ।।३।

बाजार सोहे चौपिड तर्गां, विधिध वस्त श्रपारतो ।

पाटंबर भिरया सब, मिंगा मोती परवारतो ।।४।।

कोलग सोभा वरगाइ, गली गलो सोभो वाजारतो ।

श्रन धन कपडा स्यो भर्या, भिर वेचे ले मोल श्राइतो ।।४।।

महिलां की पंकति सौभिति, सप्त भूमि उपरि विस्तार तो,

मैडी चौबारा श्रित घगा, नर नारी देवकुमार तौ ।।६।।

—Āmer Sāstra Bhandār-Jaipur.

Ajayarāja was the another poet who wrote more than 20 works in Hindī. He was 18th century poet. In his Neminātha Caupai (1741 A.D.) he gives a beautiful description of Āmer:—

अजयराज इह कीयो बखारा, राज सवाई जयसिंह जारा।
अवावती सहरे सुम थान, जिन मन्दिर जिम देव विमारा।
नीर निवारा सोहे बन राई, बेलि गुलाब चमेली जाइ।
चंपो मरवो अरु सेवति, यौ हो जाति नाना विध कीती।।
बहु मेवा बहुविधि सार, वररात मोहे लागे वार।
गढ मन्दिर कछु कह्यो न जाय, सुखिया लोग बसै अधिकाइ।
तामे जिन मन्दिर इम सार, तहां विराजे श्री नेमिकुमार।
स्याममूर्ति सोमा अति घर्गी, ताकी वोपमा जाइ न गराो।।

Dipa Canda Kāslīwal was a Hindī prose writer of 18th century. He lived Sāngāner for some time but afterwards he left that city and began to live in Āmer. He completed his Cidavilāsa in the year 1723 A.D. át Āmer. He mentioned the same at the end of the work:

यह ग्रन्थ दीपचन्द साधमी कीयो है वास सांगानेर । ग्रामेर में ग्राये तब यह ग्रन्थ कियो संवत् १७७६ मिति फागुरा बुदी पंचमी को यह ग्रन्थ पूर्ण कियो ।

The other poets and scholars related to Amer. City are Surendra Kīrti (17th century), Khuśāla Cand Kālā (18th century), Thānsingh (18th century) and Devendra Kīrti (18th century).

Thansingh in his "Subudhi Prakasa" wrote the following description of Amer City:—

तामि श्रंबावित पुरसार, चौगिरदां परवत श्रिधकार। वस्तो तल ऊपरी सांघनी, ज्यौ दाडिम बीजन तैं बनी।। ताको जैसिंघ नामा भूप, सूरजवंस विषे जु श्रनूप। न्यायवंत बुधवंत विसाल, परजापालक दीनदयाल।

Bhattāraka Surendra Kīrti wrote Ādityavār Kathā a Ḥindī poem in the year 1687 A.D, a manuscript fof which is preserved in the Śāstra Bhanḍār of Jaina Tample Badhicand. The other Bhattārakas Jagat Kīrti and Devendra Kīrti were also great lovers of literature and some manuscripts which were got written on the initiative of these Bhattārakas are preserved in the Āmer Śāstra Bhanḍār, Jaipur.

Nand Rāma was a non-Jaina poet. He wrote a Paccīsi in the year 1667 A.D. in the Āmer City. He gave his own description in the following lines:—

नंद खंडेलवाल ग्रंबार्वात को वासी। मुत वलराम गोत है रावत, मत है कृष्ण उपासी।।२४:।

Āmer remained the centre of Bhattarakas for a long time. The first who established the Bhattaraka Gadi in the year 1665 A. D. was Surendra Kīrti¹ and the other two Bhattarakas sat on this Gadi also in Āmer.

2. Ā V Ā N

It is an old town in the Tonk District Previously it was a Jāgīr town. In the sixteenth century this place was a literary centre of the Jainas. Varānga Carita² of Bhaṭṭāraka Vardhamāna Deva was copied in the year 1527 A.D. In the year 1536 there had been a great Pratiṣṭhā ceremony of Jaina Tīrthankar Lord Neminātha under the guidance of Mandalacarya Dharmacandra. There is a big inscription in Jaina temple of Mahārājā [Surya Sena of Solanki dynasty. In it the names of the two princes namely Prathvi Rāja and Puraṇa Malla have been mentioned. On a small hill near town, three statues of Bhaṭṭaraka Prabhā Candra, Jina Candra and Dharma Candra were erected.

^{1.} Bhattaraka Pattavali-Amer Sastra Bhandar, Jaipur.

^{2.} Amer Sastra Bhandar, Jaipur.

Though it was an important centre there is no Grantha Bhandar at present in its temple, when its adjacent towns such as Dūni, Rājmahal and Uniyārā have some sort of manuscript collections. It is possible that the manuscript written in the village might have been removed by the Bhattārakas to some other places.

3, BAIRĀŢH

It is a town 41 miles to the north of Jaipur City. It was the capital of Virāṭa Rāja, King of the Matsya-deśa where five Pāndavas lived in hiding for one year. The Pāndu hill at Bairāṭh which has a cave called Bhimgupta, contains an inscription of Aśoka. In the 16th century, there was here a great Hindī scholar called Pandit Rājmall. He composed Lāṭī Samitā on the request of Sāhu Phamen. At the same time the elder brother of Sāhu Phamen constructed a big Jaina temple.

तत्रायस्य वरो सुतो वरगुणो न्योताह्व सघाधिपो ।
येनैतेज्जिनमन्दिरस्फुटमिह मोत्तुंगमप्येद्मुतं ।।
वैराटनगरे निघाय विधिवत् पूजाश्च बह्वयः कृतः ।
ग्रत्रामुत्र सुखमदः स्वयशसः स्तंमसभारोपितः ॥

-Lātī Samhitā p. 73

And in the same temple Bhattaraka Somasena composed Rāma Purāṇa¹ in Śak Samvat 1656 in which he described the town in the following lines:—

वैराटविषये रम्ये जितुरनगरे वरे मन्दिरे । पार्श्वनाथस्य सिद्धो ग्रन्थः शुभे दिने ।।

Manuscript of Gyānārṇava was copied in the year 1619 A. D. while Balbhadra Purāṇa of Raidhu Kavi, a work of Apabhramśa language, was copied in the year 1673 A.D, by Śrī Prema Rāma on the request of Kusāl Singh. The first manuscript is in the Śāstra Bhandār of Jaina Tholia temple Jaipur while the latter one is in the Śāstra Bhandār of Jaina temple Pātodī of Jaipur.

4. BUNDI

Būndī is an old town of Rājasthān and is situated 20 miles west of Kotāh. Būndī was the capital of former Būndī State. The area of Kotāh, Būndī and

^{1.} Amer Sästra Bhandar, Jaipur.

Jhalawar is called Hādauti Pradeśa. For centuries the rulers of Būndī played a prominent part in this region and the mughal Empire.

Bundī also remained a literary centre for a long time specially in 17th 18th, and 19th centuries. Padmanābha, a Rājasthāni poet of 17th century has given a description of the city in his work Yasodhara Caupai:—

व्दी इन्द्रपुरी जिलपुरी कि कुवेरपुरी,

रिद्धि सिद्धि भरी द्वारिका सी घरी घर में।

बौलहर, घाम घर घर में विचित्र वाम,

नर कामदेव जैसे सेवे सुख़सर में।

वापी बाग वाह्या बाजार बीथी विद्या वेद,

विद्रुष विनोद बानी बौले मुखि नर में।

तहां करें राज राव भावस्थंघ महाराज,

हिन्दु धर्म लाज पातिसाहि ग्राज करें में।

Dilā Rāma was another Jaina Hindī writer of the 18th century. He wrote a description of Bundī in his Dilā Rāma Vilās -and -Ātmadwādasi² which was completed in Samwat 1768 (1711 A.D.) as follows:—

वन उपवन चहुं नदन से मिंव, गिर मेर नदी गंग सम सोमिंह बढावित ।

ग्रेंतुल विलास में वसय सबै. धनपति घन मोन मोन रमातिय गावित ।

महल विमान समा सुरमिंव राजै, राव बुद्ध छंद्र जिम जाके निति लिछिसग्रावती ।

ग्रन्थिन में सुनियन नैनिन को ग्रिमिलास, पूजत लखैं ते ग्रैसी बूंदी ग्रमरावती ।।

Dilā Rāma in his next work "Vrat Vidhāna Rāso" a work of describes 1710 A.D. the city in the foilowing way:—

्र ग्रहो बूंदी जी नग्र हाडा तता थानं राज करे बुधिसह कुल मानु ।

पौन छत्तीस लीना करे, गढ ग्रहः कोटः वन उपवन वास ।

महल तलाव देवल छत्रां, श्रावक धर्म चले बहु भाषे।

In the end of the 18th century there was again a poet named Hīrā who composed Nemi-Vyāhalo in the year 1791 A. D. At the end of his work he has written some lines about Būndī which run as follows:—

^{1.} Amer Sastra Bhandar, Jaipur.

² to 3. Ibid.

मरल अठारासे परमागा, ता पर अडतालीस वलागा।
पौप कृष्णा पांचे तिथि आगा, वार वृहस्पति मन में आगा।।
बूदी को छै महा सुमथान, तामें नेम जिमालय जान।
ती मध्ये पंडित वर माग, रहै कवी श्वर उपमा गाय।।

Apart from the original works, copies of several works were made. Manuscript of Samyaktva Kaumudi was copied in the year 1503 A.D. It was called by the name of Vrandāvati capital of Hāḍa Rājputs in a manuscript of Gyāna Sūryodaya Nāṭaka preserved in Āmer Śāstra Bhanḍār, Jaipur, Ātmānuśaṣan was copied in the year 1791 A.D. in Neminātha Jaina temple. Some of the manuscripts which were copied in the Būndī City are as follows:—

| S. No. | Name of Manuscripts | Language | Year |
|--------|--------------------------------|----------|-----------|
| 1. | Rāma Vinoda | Hindī | 1673 A.D. |
| 2. | Carcasara Sangrah | . ,, | 1677 ,, |
| 3. | Rāmapurāņa by Somasena | Samskrit | 1800 " |
| 4. | Samavasaraņa Pūjā | Hindī | 1810 " |
| 5. | Sudarsaņa Carita by Vidyānandi | Samskrit | 1816 " |
| 6. | Ādipurāņa by Sakalkīrti | -do- | 1853 ,, |
| 7. | Yasodhra Carita | -do- | 1854 ,, |
| 8. | Nemi Purāņa by Bhāgacanda | Hindī | 1904 ,, |

From the manuscripts found in the £astra Bhandar, it appears that in the past the city remained a great literary centre. There was every facility for scholars to write and copy out manuscripts. For this work the temples of Nāgadī (Neminātha) and Ādinātha were the main centres as in the Grantha bhandars of these temples, implements for copying out the manuscripts have been found.

5. RANTHAMBHORE, ŚERGARH AND SAWĀIMĀDHOPUR

The fort of Ranthambhore was a centre of literary activity from the very beginning. There were several Jaina temples and one of them still exists there. The image of this temple is considered to be of the 12th century of Vikram Era. There is no Sāstra Bhandār at present but the copies of the manuscripts available in other Grantha bhandārs show that in the past this fort was a centre of literary

activity. Jinadatta Carita, an Apabhramsa work of Lākhu, was copied here in the year 1549 A.D. in Śāntinātha Jaina temple of the fort and presented to Bhaṭṭāraka Lalit Kīrti. Khidarkhān was then the Governor of the fort. The manuscript is preserved in the Grantha bhandār of Jaina Tholiā temple. Brahma Rāymall a famous Hindi poet of 16th century wrote Srīpāla Rasa in the year 1583 A.D. According to him the Ranthāmbhore¹ was full of wealth in the time of Akbara, Emperor of Delhi. In this work he describes Ranthambhore in detail. Pandit Jinadāsa lived near the Ranthambhore fort and wrote Holī Carita² in the year 1551 A.D.

Gachācāra Sūtra was copied in the year 1587 A.D. by Pūranamal Kāyastha in the fort. The manuscript is at present placed in the Śāstra Bhandār of Sūrat.

After Ranthambhore, Sawaimādhopur was founded by Mahārājā Sawāi Mādhosingh in the year 1768 A.D. and the population which was previously on the fort settled down under the foot of the fort which is about 10 miles from here. Campārāma a Hindī scholar translated Bhadra Bāhu Carita in Hindī in the year 1811 A.D. He refers to himself³ at the beginning of the work.

- हो रग्थश्रमर सोभो कविलाम, मरिया नीर तान चहुपास ।
 वाग विहर वावडी घग्गी हो, धन कन संपत्ति तग्गो निधान ।
 साहि अकवर राजह हो, सोमा घग्गी जिसो सुर पान ।।२।।
- 2. श्री रण्स्तंमसद्दुर्गे समीपस्थे सखप्रदे । नानावृत्रैः समाकीण् सरोमि- सर्जेस्तया ।।५८।। जिनागाग्युते रम्ये नवलक्षपुरे शुभे । वासिना जिनदासेन पंडितेन सुविमता ।।५६॥ दृद्वा पूर्विकयामेकपंचाशत :५१: श्लोकसंयुता । पुरे सेग्पुरे शांतिनाथचैत्यालये वरे ।।६०॥ वनुष्वकायशीतांसुमिते :१६०८: संवत्सरेतथा । ज्येष्ठमासे सितेपक्षे दशम्यां शुक्रवासरे ।।६१॥
- अ. देण दूढाहड मध्यपुर माघव सूबस्थान। जगतसंघ ता नगरपित, पातल राज महान।।३।। तहां वसै इक वैश्य गुभ हीरालाल सुजान। जाति श्रावक न्याति में, खंडेलवाल गुमजान।।४।। गोन मांवसा फुनि घरे, परम गुनी गुए। घाम। तिनके ग्रति मित दीन सुत उपनौ चंपाराम।।४।।

The place near Ranthambhore was also called Sherpur or Shergarh. Some population pertaining to the fort also lived under the foot. Bhāvasangrah¹ was copied in the year 1552 A.D. while Holi Renuka Carita² was copied in the year 1551 A.D. by Sah Karmana and presented to Ācārya Lalit Kīrti.

In the manuscript of Pārśwanātha Cariu³ of Srīdhar, Sherpur has been called as the Branch of Ranthambhore fort. Thus the Ranthambhore fort and its adjacent areas which are called Shergarh and Sawāimādhopur remained literary centre for many years.

6. CĀKSŪ

Cāksū which was famous by the name of Campāvati in the ancient times remained a great centre of learning for a long time. Under the Solanki Ruler Rāmacandra and the feudatory ruler of Sangrāma Sinha it remained the seat of learning and Jaina literature flourished exceedingly. The earliest manuscript which was copied in Campāvati belongs to the year 1461 A.D. There are hundreds of the manuscripts which were copied here, are at present available in the various Bhandārs of Rājasthān. It was the birth place of the several scholars and poets. Nathmal, a Hindī, poet of 17th century describes city in his 'Vanka Cora Dhandatt Kathā' as a prosperous town.

- 1. Amer Sästra Bhandar, Jaipur.
- 2. Śāstra Bhandar Jain temple Pātodi, Jaipur.
- 3. Amer Sastra Bhandar, Jaipur.
- 4. Śāstra Bhandar, Tholia Jaina temple, Jaipur.

पढ़सी सुग्रसी जे नर कोय, ऋम ऋम ते मुक्ति ही होय।
सहर चाटसू सुवस वास, तिहपुर नाना भोग विलास।।२७७॥
नवसे कूवा नवसे ठाय, ताम पोखरी कह्या न जाय।
तामे बड़ो जगौली राव, सबै लोग देखग्र को भाव।।२७८॥
पैडीत माहि वग्गी चौकोर, नीर मरे नारी चहु ग्रोर।
चकवा चकवी केल कराहि, वाधिक ताहि नहीं दुख दाय।।२७६॥
छत्री चौतरा वैठक घग्गी, ग्रर मसजद तुरका की वग्गी।
चहुं था रूप वृक्ष चहुं छाय, पंथी देखि रहे विस्माय।।२८०॥
चहुं था रूप वृक्ष चनुं ताहि वुरज ग्रतिवग्गी सुचंग।।२८१॥
सहर बीचि तें कोट उनंग, ताहि बुरज ग्रतिवग्गी सुचंग।।२८१॥

Vūca Rāja a famous Hindī Jaina writer of the 16th century who also wrote more than 10 works in Hindī lived here some time. The manuscript of Samyaktva Kaumudi was presented to him by Śrāvaka Kāmā and his wife Karmāde in the year 1525 A.D.

In Samvat 1583 (1526 A.D) Candra Prabha Carita² of Yasah Kīrti was copied in this town then known as Campāvati. Rāṇā Sangrām Singh stated to be the ruler and Rao Rāma Candra as an Administrator. This manuscript exists at present in Āmer Sāstra Bhanḍār, Jaipur.

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चहुंबा खाई भरी सुभाय, एक कोस जाएगी गिरदाव। चहं वा वर्गे अधिक बाजार, वसै विग्तिक करै व्यापार ॥२५२॥ कोई सोनो रूपो कसै, कोई मोती माग्रिक लसै। कोई बेचे टका रोक. केई बजाजी रोका ठोकि ॥२=३॥ कोई परचुना वेचे नाज, केई एकठे मेले साज। केई उचार दाम की गांठि, केई पसारी मांडे हाटि।।२५४।। च्यार देव ए जिरावर तराा, ता मिह विव वढो अति घराा। करे महौछे पूजा सार, श्रावक लीया सब ब्राचार ।।२५४।। वाई जती रहएा को जाव, उनहीं हार दीजै करि भाव । ग्रीर देहरे वैमन् त्रा, वर्म करै सगला ग्राप्णा ।।२=६।। नौरंगमाहि राज ते घरे, पौग् छनीसों लीला करे। कहूं चौवा चंदन महकाय, कहूं ऋगरजा फल विसाय ।।२८७।। नगर नायका मोमा घरे, पानु नवु रचित बोवी करे। ग्रैमो महर ग्रौर नहीं सही, दुखी दलिद्री दीसे नहीं ॥२==॥ हाकिम से मदारकां सही, श्रीर जोर कोउ दीसै नहीं। पाने परजा चाले न्याय, सीलवंत नर लाम कहाय ॥२८६॥ मदन् सतरामे पचीम, अपाड वदी जागो वर तीज। वारज मोमवार ते जागि, कथा संपूर्ण मई परमाग ।।२६०।। पदमी मृग्मि जै नर कोय, ते नर स्वर्ग देवता होय। भृत चूक कहीं लिखयो होय, नयमल क्षमा करो सब कोय ।।२६१।।

- 1. संवत् १५६२ वर्षे फाल्गुगा सुदी १४ जुमदिने श्रीमूलसधे वलात्कारगगो सरस्वतीगच्छे नंद्याम्नाये श्रीकृन्दकुन्दाचार्यन्वये मट्टारक श्री पद्मनिन्दिदेवातत्पट्टे मट्टारक श्री जुमचन्द्रदेवातत्पट्टे मट्टारकिनिधन्द्रदेवातत्पट्टे मट्टारकिनिधन्द्रदेवातत्पट्टे मट्टारकि प्रमाचन्द्रदेवा दाम्नाये चंपावतीनामनगरे महाराव श्री रामचन्द्रराज्ये खंडेलवालान्वये.....इदं ज्ञास्त्रं लिखाप्य कर्मक्षयिनिमित्तं ब्रह्मवूचाय दत्तं।
- 2. Amer Sastra Bhandar, Jaipur.

There is another manuscript of Sāgār Dharmāmrata! in the Sāstra Bhandār of Jaina Terāpanthi temple Jaipur which was copied in Samvat 1585 (1528 A.D). This manuscript also gives the same information about the city. But in the manuscript of Vaddhamāna² Kahā which was copied one year earlier than the manuscript of Sāgār Dharmāmrata, the ruler's name is Rāma Candra Solanki.

Cāksū was a literary centre in which there was a good arrangement for copying out the manuscripts and thus the town was the centre place of scholars. In the 15th, 16th and 17th century, several manuscripts were written and sent to various places of Rājasthān. Some of the manūscripts which were copied in this town are follows:—

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- (1) Upāsakādhyayān³ of Vasunandi was copied in Samvat 1623 (1566 A D.) At this time the town seems to have come under Amerias aname of the Ruler has been named as Bhārāmalla.
- (2) Sat Pāhud with the commentary of Srutasāgar was copied in the year 1537 A.D. The manuscript exists at present in the Amer, Sāstra Bhandāt, Jaipur This was also got written by Nāthamal.
- (3) After eight years the above work was again copied in 1545 A.D. in the Parsvanatha temple under the guidance of Mandalacarya Dharmacandra.
- मंडलाचार्य श्रीवर्मचन्द्राम्नाये खंडेलवालान्वये चंपावतीवास्तव्ये रावश्रीरामचन्द्रसोलंकीराज्ये पाटणी गोत्रे साह कान्हा इदं शास्त्रं लिखापितं ।
- 2. संवत् १५८४ वर्षे चैत्र सुदी १४ शनिवारे पूर्वनक्षत्रे श्री चंपावतीकोटे श्री संग्रामस्य राज्ये राइ श्री रामचन्द्रराज्ये ।
- 3. संवत् १६२३ वर्षे पौष_्वृदी २. शुक्रवासरे श्री-पार्श्वनाथचैत्यालये गढचंपावतीमध्ये महाराजाधिराज श्रीमारमलकछवाहाराज्ये श्रीमूलसंघे वलात्कारगर्गो सरस्वतीगच्छे कुंदकुंदाचार्यन्वये.......एतेषां मध्ये इदं शीस्त्रं लिखापितं शीलशालिनी देवगुरूमक्ति वहूश्रीजैसिरी श्रीजिका श्रीमुक्तिदत्तं ।
- 4. संवत् १५६४ वर्षे महासुदी २ बुधवारे श्रवगानक्षत्रें श्रीमूलसंघे वलात्कारगगे.....धर्मचन्द्रदेवाम्नाये - खंडेलवालान्वये चंपावतीनगरे राठौडवंशे रावश्रीवीरमराज्ये वाकलीवालगोत्रे स० तीकी भार्या दूनी.....पुत्र नथमल इदं शास्त्रें लिखापितं ।
- 5. संवत् १६०२ वर्षे वैशाख सुदी १० तिथी रिववासरे उत्तराफालगुननक्षत्रे राजाधिराजशाहग्रालमं राज्ये नगरचपावतीमध्ये श्रीपार्श्वनाथचैत्यालये श्रीमूलसंघे नद्याम्नाये वलात्कारगर्गे सरस्वतीगच्छे मट्टारकश्री हुं दकुं दाचार्यान्वये भट्टारकश्रीपद्मनन्दीदेवास्तत्पट्टे भट्टारकश्रीशुभचन्द्रदेवा स्तत्पट्टे भट्टारकश्रीजनचन्द्रदेवास्तत्पट्टे भट्टारकश्रीप्रमालन्द्रदेवास्तत् शिष्यमंडलाचार्यं श्री धमंचन्द्रदेवास्तदामनाये खंडेलवालान्वये...।

- (4) Śripāla Carita¹ of Pandit Narsena was written by Vidyā Bhuṣaṇa in Samvat 1632 (1575 A.D.). The city has been named both as Cāṭsu and Campāvatī.
- (5) Dharma Praśnottora Śrāvakācāra² was copied in Samvat 1633 (1576 A.D.) in Ādinātha Jaina temple. Mahārāja Bhagwāna Dāsa of Āmer has been stated as a Ruler.

7. SĀMBHAR

Sāmbhar is a very old city in Rājasthān. It is situated at a distance of 7 miles from Phulera Junction in the Ājmer Division of Rājasthān. It was the capital of Sapāda Lakśa³ and was called Śākambhari. It is situated on the lake side, now a days is known by the name of Sambhar Lake. It was under the Cauhāna Rējpūts till the 12th century'. It remained a great political centre for about one thousand years and when Prithavi Rāja III was defeated by Mohammad Ghorī, it ceased to be an independent State and fall successively into the hands of different rulers. Before the formation of Rājasthān it was under Jaipur and Jodhpur States.

In the 17th century there had been one Hindī Scholar Śāh Lohat who composed Yaśodhar Caupai⁵ in Samvat 1721 (1664 A.D.). He gave some description of Sāmbhar in the end of his book which runs as under:—

श्रीभागस्यंघ हिदंबानपित, छत्रतिलक सुम सिरयस्यौ ।
सांभरि नरेस राजे तखत, वखत दसुं दिसउ घरघो ॥५॥
मही ग्रडोल मेर सम राव, दिन दिन वधौ चौिगनी ग्राव ।
चंद सूर घर सेप महेस, तौ लग राज मोगवो देस ॥६॥
घर घर वृधि वधावा होड, कांन पड्यो निवसुन जे कोई।
तिनके राज सुखी सब लोग, जाने पान फूल रस मोग ॥१०॥

In the Samvat 1786 (1729 A.D.) Ādipurāņa⁶ of Jinasenācārya was copied by Ghisīlāl,

^{1.} Amer Śāstra Bhandar, Jaipur.

^{2.} Ibid.

^{3.} Rājputānā kā Itīhāsa by G. S. Ojha. p. 2

^{4.} Praśasti of Harsanatha Mandir of Sekhawati of 973 A.D.

^{5.} Amer Sästra Bhandar, Jaipur.

^{6.} Ibib.

. SĀNGĀNER

Sāngāner, an old town of the former Jaipur State is 8 miles from Jaipur City. Before the foundation of the Jaipur City, it was a prominent business and literary centre of Rājasthān. It remained under the Rulers of Āmer. There is a Jaina temple called temple of Sanghījī which was constructed in the 12th century. This temple was a seat of literary activity. There were also other Jaina temples, manuscripts of which were transferred to Sāstra Bhandārs of Jaipur.

From 16th to 19th century the town remained a centre of literary activity. It was the birth place of several poets and scholars such as Khuśāl Canda Kālā (17th century), Jodhrāja Godīkā (17th century) Kiśana Singh (18th century) etc. etc. Brahma Rāymalla, a 16th century poet, settled down here and composed some Hindī works. He describes Sanganer in his Bhavisya Datta Kathā about as under:—

देश ढूंढाहड सोमा घणी, पुजै तहां श्रालि मण तणी।

तिर्मल तलै नदी वहु फिरे, सुख से बसै बहु सांगानेरि।

चहु दिसि बण्या मला वाजार, भरे पटोला मोती हार।

भवन उत्तुंग जिनेश्वर तणा, सौभे चंदवा तौरण घणा।

राजा राजै भगवतदास, राजकंवर सेनहि बहुतास।

Kishan Singh, a poet of 18th century lived here and wrote Kriyā Koṣa¹ in the year 1727 A.D. His other works are Punyāsrava Kathā Koṣa, and Caubisa Dandaka, etc. Poet Hemarāja also lived here for some time and after-wards he went to Kāmā where he composed Dohā Śataka.

सत्रहसै संवत् चौरासिया सु भादों मास,

वर्षा रिति खेत तिथि पृग्यो रिववार है।

सतिविषा रिषि घ्रति नाम जौग कुंम,

सिमस्यंघ को दिन समूहरत ग्रति सार है।

ढूंडारह देश जानं बसै सांगानेरि थांनं,

जैसिंह सवाई महाराज निति धार है।

ताकै राजसमै परिपरगा की इह कथा,

भव्यन के हिरदै हुलास देनहार है।।

In the 17th century Jodhraja Godikā was a prominent scholar. He wrote more than 10 works in Sāngāner. He wrote a good description of Sāngāner² in his Pravacanasār (1669 A.D).

The town was also centre of social reforms. The Terāpanthī sect among the Digambaras flourished here under the patronage of Amarcanda Godīkā. Pannālāl who wrote Terā Pantha Khāndān, described the beginning of Ter. pantha in the following way:—

पहले एक दिगवर जानो, तातै श्वेताम्वर निकसानो। तिन में ईकिस मई ग्रित मारी, सो तो सब जानत नरनारी। ताही मांहि वहसि ग्रव करके, तेरहपंथ चलायो ग्रिड के।

9. SĀGWĀRĀ

Sāgwārā is a town in the Dūngarpur District and is situated 26 miles south-west of the Dūngarpur City. It was the seat of the Jainas in that area and the Rulers of Dūngarpur were the patrons of Jaina religion. Dūngarpur and Sāgwārā were therefore centres of the Jaina literary activity. The installation ceremony on Bhaṭṭāraka Gādī of Bhaṭṭāraka Dharmakīrti was performed here. He wrote Praśnottara Srāvakācāra, Pārśva Purāṇa. Sukumāla Carita and Mūlācāra Pradīpa etc. Bhaṭṭāraka Sakal Kīrti² composed Ādinātha Purāṇa here.

गिन्न हमें छवीस सुम, विक्रम साक प्रमान।
ग्रह मादों सुदि पंचमीं, पूरन ग्रन्थ वखान।।
मुनय घरमिंह सुख करन, सबन मूपिन सिरं भूप।
मागस्यंघ जयस्यंघ सुब, रामस्यंघ सुख रूप।।
नाक राज सु जैन सौ, कीयो ग्रन्थ यह जोध।
मांगानेरि -सुथान में, हिरदे घारि सुबोध।।
जो कहूं मेरी चूक ह्वँ, लीज्यों संत सुबारि।
वरगा छंद को देखि कं, गुरा श्रीगुरा सुविचारि।।
यहां मिश्र हरिनाम जी, रही सदा सुख रूप।
ताकी संगत जो करी, पायो काव्य सरूप।

- 1. Bhattaraka Pattavali of Sastra Bhandar, Udaipur.
- 2. Sakal Kīrti Rāsa of Sāstra Bhandār, Udaipur.

A. D. in this city. Besides several manuscripts which were copied in Sāgwarā are at present preserved in the various Grantha Bhandārs. Some of the manuscripts written in this town, are as follows:—

- (1) Jiwandhar Rāsa¹ was copied in the year 1582 A.D. by Brahma Sekhar for his own reading.
- (2) Šabdārņava Candrikā² of Bhattāraka Devendra Kīrti was copied in the year 1556 A.D. by Brahma Tejapāla.
- (3) Şadāvasyak was got written by some Guna Candra in 1582 A.D. for his own reading.
- (4) There is a manuscript of Harivansapurāna in Udaipur Grantha Bhandār which was written here in the year 1628 A.D. A Gutakā now in Sāstra Bhandār, Ajmer was also written here in 1635 A.D.

A letter³ of historical importance was written in the year 1596 A.D. by Ācārya Guṇa Candra. Another such letter⁴ was written by the same Ācārya in which it is mentioned that Ācārya Sakal Candra established the Bhaṭṭāraka Gāḍi in this town.

10. MERTĀ

Mertā is an old town of Rājasthān. In Samskrit it has been named as Mandāntak. According to the inscription of Vikram Samvat 894 Mertā was made a capital by the 8th predecessor of Nāgabhatta of Bāuk who was ruler of Māndava. There are two inscriptions of the 12th century here. Though they are newly constructed but some of the images installed there are of the 14th century. Several manuscripts were written here and at present they exist in the various Bhandārs Some of them are as follows:—

(1) Harivanşapurāņa of Jinasenācārya was copied in the year 1516 A.D.

This is at present in the Grantha Bhandar of Jaina Temple, Pāţodī,
Jaipur.

^{.1.} Amer Sastra Bhandar, Jaipur.

^{2.} Sāsira Bhandar Sambhavanatha Temple, Udaipur.

^{3.} to 5. Ibid.

- (2) In the year 1535 A. D. Ṣaṭkarma Granthāvacūri was copied in Mertā city. Rājādhirāja Viramdeva was the Ruler at that time. The manuscript is at present in the Parśvanātha Gyāna Bhanḍār Pāṭān.
- (3) Anuvrata Ratna Pradīpa¹ was written in the year 1538 A.D. by Muni Punya Kīrti. Mālde Rathore was the Ruler at that time.
- (4) Nandī Sūtra was written in the year 1572 A.D. by Caudhari Jodhpurā and at present exists in the Khambhāta Bhanḍār.
- (5) Saubhāgya Pancami Kathā² which was composed by Kanak Kuśala and was revised by Pandit Padma Vijay and Bhīma Vijay in the year 1598 A D. was copied in the same year by the three scholars at the request of Vinajung Sundar.
- (6) Samyaktva Kaumudi was written in the year 1554 A.D. by Gyāna Tilak pupil of Karma Tilak for himself. This manuscript is at present in the Amer Sāstra Bhandār Jaipur.
- (7) Vaiyākaraņa Bhuṣaṇam³ was written in the year 1770 A.D. by Sundar Vijay and Mahipāla Carita³ was also copied in the year 1738 A.D.

The City was also known by the name of Merta Garh and has been referred to by the same name in many manuscripts, two of which are as follows:-

- (1) Rişi Prakaranam'-it was written in the year 1551 by Caritrodaya.
- (2) Dīwālī Kalpas was copied by Muni Jaysingha in the year 1619 A.D.

Thus from the above references it may be stated that Merta was once remained a great literary centre.

EDUCATIONAL CENTRES

The importance of the Jaina Grantha Bhandars is not only from the historical and literary point but they are equally important from the educational point also. These Grantha Bhandars were great educational centres also. In the big

^{1.} Sastra Bhandar, Chani,

^{2.} to J. Ibid.

^{5.} Brihad Gyana Bhandar, Jaisalmer,

centres like Āmer, Ajmer, Jaisalmer, Nāgaur, Sāgwāra, Bīkāner, there were arrangement for imparting education to the adults and children. After primary education the students were taught Prākrit and Samskrit. At least for every Jaina child, primary education was socially compulsory and after completing this education, the students used to read Grammar, Koṣa, Kāvya, Dramas and boooks of Philosophy. The books on Grammar, Koṣa and Kāvya were not restricted to works written by Jaina authors only, but the famous books on Grammar like Sāraswata, Siḍḍhānta Candrikā, Kātantra Rūpamālā etc. were also read. In lexicography, the books like Amar Koṣa and Nāmamālā of Dhananjaya were taught. In the Kavya literature, the Kāvyas written by poets like Kālidāsa, Bhārvi, Harśa etc. were often studied.

In this respect the services of Bhattārakas like Subha Candra² (1393 to 1450 A.D.), Jina Candra (1450 to 1514 A.D.), Prabhā Candra (1514 to 1523 A.D.), Sakal Kīrti (15th century), Subha Candra (16th century) Gyāna Bhūṣaṇa (16th century), Devendra Kīrti (17th century) etc. are remarkable. They were the main propogators of education. Under each of them there were hundreds of students getting education. Like Bhaṭṭārakas, Ācāryas also rendered same services towards 'enhancement of education.' There were hundreds of students under Ācārya Hema Candra receiving the education on various subjects. There was no systematic or classwise education but the students were educated on the basis of books.

In the Grantha Bhandars, there are thousands of manuscripts which were presented to their Heads, so that they may be used by the students. Some of them are given below:—

- (1) Candra Prabhā Carita³ of Šubha Candra was presented to Ānanda Rāma for Bhagwāndāsa, the pupil at the Šāstra Bhandār of Lālsot in the 18th century.
- (2) Jīwandhar Carita of Śubha Candra was presented to Pandit Padāratha for his study īn the year 1579 A.D. at Sānkhanā Village by Sekha son of Śāh Udā.

^{1.} The History of Rājputānā by G. S. Ojhā Vol. I. p. 20

^{2.} Bhattaraka Sampradaya by V.P. Johrapurkara.

^{3.} Āmer Śāstra Bhandār, Jaipur Prasasti Sangrah p. 8.

^{4.} Ibid p. 15

- (3) Pradyumna Carita of Som Kīrti was written by Ācārya Devendra Bhūṣaṇa for his own study and his pupils Dayā Candra, Vardhamāna Vimaldāsa, Daulati Rāma, Riṣabha Dāsa, Gulab Canda, Bhagwāndāsa, Vīra Dāsa, Moti and Jagjiwan etc. in the year 1667 A.D. The manuscript is available in the Āmer Śāstra Bhandār at present.
 - (4) Pandit Śiromani Keśodsāa got written from Shri Kāyastha Puranmala for his study, the manuscript of Bhaktamar Stotra Vritti in the year 1579 A.D.
 - (5) Padma Purāṇa of Raidhu was presented to one Jindo's wife by Śāh Agarmalla for her study. The manuscript was written by Pandit Keso in the year 1599 A.D. at Rohtak. The manuscript is at present in the Āmer Śāstra Bhandār, Jaipur.
 - (6) Srāvakācāra of Laxmi Candra was copied by Naina Sāgar for the study of Kesāri Singh at the Śāstra Bhandār of Jaina temple Pātodī Jaipur.
 - (7) Yasodhara Carita² of Brahma Jinadāsa was copied at Udaipur by Pandit Rūpacanda for his own study in the year 1769 A.D.
 - (8) Sāvaya Dhammadohā Panjikā³ was written for the study of Pandit Laxman in the year 1498. He was the pupil of Bhattaraka Malli Bhūṣanā.
 - (9) Bharat Bāhubali Caiitas in Hindī was written in Saka Samvat 1614 for the study of Sanghavi Bhojāni.

In this way there are so many manuscripts which were written for the Sādhus and their disciples. This system of presentation of the manuscripts to the monks and the students continued for a long time and thousands of the manuscripts

^{1.} Amer Sastra Bhandar, Jaipur Prasasti Sangrah p. 44

^{2.} Amer Sästra Bhandar, Jaipur.

^{3.} Bhattarkiya Sampradaya p. 197.

^{4.} Ibid.

had been collected only due to this system. Thus we can say that the Grantha Bhandars gave much help in the spread of education and at one time they remained the pillars of education.

MATERIAL FOR ART AND PAINTING

The Grantha Bhandars of Rajasthan are equally important for illustrated manuscripts. The Jaina monks and Sravakas both took great interest in beautifying the manuscripts. They were the lovers of art and painting. These illustrated manuscripts are useful for a study of the History of India miniature and paintings. There are three kinds of illustrated manuscripts namely those of palm leaves, paper and cloth. Besides these three main kinds, there are also wooden plates which have some coloured paintings. Illustrated palm leaf manuscripts are found only in Jaisalmer Bhandars while the other kind of illustrated manuscripts are found in several Bhandars and mainly in the Bhandars of Jaipur, Mozmābād, Ajmer, Nāgaur, Bharatpur, Baswā and Būndī. Though there is not a big number of the illustrated manuscripts yet the material which is found in these Bhandars of Rājasthan are sufficient to establish the importance of the Bhandars regarding paintings and miniature.

PALM LEAF MANUSCRIPTS

In preservation of early paintings on palm leaves, the Jaisalmer Bhandār is the foremost one. Though this Grantha Bhandār was established in the 16th century the collection of the illustrated manuscripts throws light on the art of painting from the 12th to the 16th century. There are 35 illustrations in all and the 2 illustrations which are related to Assembly Hall of Jinadutta Sūri clearly shows that the old system of paintings of Elora gradually developed further. There are good many illustrations on the mixture of Budhistic and Jaina paintings. The illustrations on the life of Lord Neminātha reveal that the painters of the 12th century were not limited to the paintings of the portraits only but they were expert also in making other paintings. The most wonderful painting which has been found on the palm leaves relates to the illustration of Lotus Creeper. The date of this painting must be about 12th century. The system of this Patrika is just like the painting in Bharat and Bāhubāli Cand, but there is some special art in the ornaments. In one of the paintings, two ladies are shown enjoying boating.

^{1.} Jaina Mainiature of Western India.

In the Jaisalmer Bhandar there is an illustrated manuscript of Kalikacarya Kathanak written on paper. The painting of this manuscript are extra-ordinarily beautiful. It contains folios only from 113 to 146. The folios from 1 to 111 relate to Kalpa Sūtra which is also fully illustrated. One manuscript of Kalikācārya Kathā written in silver ink is also illustrated. It has only 15 paper folios.)

There is another copy of Kalpa Sūtra which is written in silver ink and is full of paintings. A paper manuscript of Kalpa Sūtra written in golden is also fully illustrated. This was written in 1467 A. D. In the Thaharuśāh Bhandār of Jaisalmer, these is one manuscript of Kalpa Sūtra on palm leaves which was written in the year 1462 A. D. It was copied by the Minister Vacakera.

Besides the fully illustrated manuscripts following are the other illustrated plates which have been placed in the Jaisalmer Grantha Bhandārs:—

- 1. There is one plate in which five ceremonies of Lord Mahāvīra have been depicted.
- 2. There is one plate in two parts on which lives of all the 24 Tirthan-karas have been illustrated.
- 3. In one plate 'Jal Krīda' i. e. Water play has been shown. This plate is important from the point of animal study. In one portion of the plate fourteen dreams have been shown.
- 4. There is a life history depicted on one plate relating to Lord Ādinātha. It has been divided in two parts. In one part Lord Ādinātha after refusal of presents of elephants houses and ladies has been shown accepting the juice of Sugar, cane only. In the second part of the plate Kings like Nemi and Vinami are asking for wealth and money from Lord Ādinātha.

The Bikaner Grantha Bhandar also have some illustrated Patrikas written on scroks like Horoscopes. There is one illustrated circular letter which is 72 ft. in length and is preserved in the collection of Abhaya Jaina Granthalaya. This gives complete description of the Udaipur City. It has been prepared in an artistic way. There are another two illustrated circular letters which were issued from Bikaner. The first letter was prepared in the year 1744 A.D. In this letter a Parswanatha Jaina temple has been painted with three Sikhars. Zorawar Singh, the

Mahārājā of Bīkāner has been also shown in the painting. It is of $97\frac{1}{2}" \times 9"$ size. The other illustrated letter was written in Samvat 1798 (1741 A.D.). It is an invitation letter sent to Jina Saubhāgya Sūri. The letter is 97 ft. in length and 11" in breadth. It is also a good painting.

Besides these two Grantha Bhandars mentioned above, other Bhandars of Rajasthan also contain illustrated manuscripts written on paper, maps and other illustrated material on cloth and a few paintings on wooden plates. A brief description of some of them is as follows:—

- (1) There is a manuscript of Ādipurāṇa written by Kavi Puspadanta in the 10th century. This manuscript was copied in the year 1404 A. D. On the 14th folio of this manuscript there is a painting of Marudevī, mother of Lord Risabha Deva, the first Jaina Tīrthankar seeing sixteen dreams. The colour is still in good condition and it has been drawn on pure Indian style. The manuscript is in the Āmer Śāstra Bhandār, Jaipur.
- Adipurāna of Puspadant, an Apabhramsa poet of the 10th century. The manuscript is preserved in the Sāstra Bhandār of Jaina Terāpanthī temple of Jaipur. The most striking aspect of its composition is the enlarged pictorial area which extends horizontally in some cases to cover the entire length of the folio. The Persian convention of vertical penals was not adopted in these paintings. The back ground colour used is a bold lacquer red, and the other colours being confined to white, black, yellow, Jasmine and green.

In the words of Dr. Moti Cand in the treatment of the human figures, the stylistic distortion associated with the Western Indian School is noticeable, yet the movement is more dynamic and vigorous, the lively poses, mudras and general postures all adding to the flow of the narration. The drawing is angular, characterised by arched eye-brows, pointed nose, exaggerrated chest and thin waist, the father eye protudes into space the end of the nearer extending to the ear.

The dresses of both men and women are simple and show a little variation. The women wear Choli, Chequered sari, a skirt and Chaddar. Their ornaments consist of heart shaped tiara, circular earings, torque Churis, sismanya, Chudamani, necklaces and circular tilak on the forehead. Turban, Dupatta, chequered or striped dhoti are the dresses of the men.

Such a big illustrated and painted manuscript is not available any where. There are several paintings of the war and scences of battle. The soldiers having swords in their hands are riding horses, elephants, chariots or marching on foot. They are wearing turbans on their heads and dupattas in their bodies.

Thus the significance of this manuscript for the history of the Indian painting is great, in as much as it indicates the important changes that were taking place in the indigenous traditions of Western Indian painting during the 15th and 16th centuries.

- (3) The Ādipurāṇa written by Ācērya Jinasena in Samskrit is also illustrated and exists in the Śāstra Bhanḍār of Terāpanthī Jaina temple, Jaipur. The manuscript was written in the year 1606 A.D. i.e. 66 years after the painting of the manuscript mentioned in item 2. This manuscript contains more than 200 illustrations which are also fully based on the text. The style and drawings are to a great extent similar to the Ādipurāṇa of Puṣpadant but the beauty and refinement which are seen in that manuscript do not exist in these pictures. Some of the illustrations are only negative and in some paintings only a part of space has been left vacant. They are incomplete also. It appears that in the midst of the work either the painter died or the person who was interested in such work expired.
- (4) Illustrated manuscripts of Yasodhara Carita are found frequently in the Jaina Sastra Bhandars of Jaipur, Mozmabad and Nagaur. Except Mozmabad Bhandar all other illustrated manuscripts are on the work of Sakal Kirti written in Samskrit and iliustrated manuscripts of Mozmabad are of Apabhramsa works written by Puspadant & Raidhu.

Yaśodhara Carita' relating to the Śāstra Bhandār of the Jaina temple Pandit Lūnakaranji of Jaipur is a manuscript of the year 1731 A.D. It was got illustrated by the founder of this temple namely Pandit Lūnkaranji himself. The first painting of the manuscript belongs to him in which he has been shown with his pupil Khīnvasiji. The manuscript contains 37 illustrations. Some of them are of the full size of the folios i. e. 11" x 4½" while others are on half of the portion of the manuscript. All the paintings are artistically depicted.

^{1.} पंडित श्री गोवर्चनदासजी तत् णिप्य पंडितजी श्री टोडरम्लजी यसोधरचरित पुस्तकं घटापितं ।

The manuscript of Yasodhara Carita of Pārsvanātha Jaina temple of Jaipur is also fully illustrated. The date of writing the manuscript is not given but as the manuscript was copied for Pandit Todarmal who was a great scholar of 18th century, so it can be said that the date of manuscript is the 18th century. There are 55 illustrations in the manuscript, some of them are on full sheet while the others are on half sheet.

The dresses of the men are turbans of Moghul style having 'Kilang' in it, with earings and necklaces in the ears and necks respectively. In the body they have, 'angarkhi' some time chequered and some times plain coloured only. The angarkhi is encircle by a small Dupatta tied in the waist.

The women are dressed with a thin sari of various types such as chequered and coloured of transparent nature. They have put on a Choli and Lehangā. Their ornaments are earings, nose rings, necklaces and bangles etc.

There are two manuscripts of Yasodhara Carita fully illustrated in Mozmabāda Sāstra Bhandār. Both are in Apabhramsa language written by Kavi Puspadanta and Raidhu. Out of two manuscripts one is incomplete. The paintings used in these manuscripts are similar to those of Ādipurāṇa. All the paintings are very beautiful and represent pre-Moghul art. The colour used in them is of such a permanent nature that they look as if they are painted today.

A fully illustrated manuscript of Ādityavāra Kathā of Bhāu Kavi written in Hindī exists in the Jaina Śāstra Bhandār of Ajmer. This is the first illustrated manuscript which is based on a story written in Hindī. The manuscript is of 18th century and contains more than 25 illustrations. All the paintings are duly influenced by art of the post-Moghul period.

The Bhaktamar Stotra preserved in the Jaina temple of Terapanthi is an illustrated manuscript written in the year 1826 A. D. It contains 48 paintings. Though the art used in these paintings is of later century, the colour and drawings are full of life. All the paintings are fully based on the text whatever is written in a particular stanza has been fully explained in the paintings. Even without reading of the original stanzas, the sense depicted in the paintings can be understood easily.

The another Bhaktāmar Stotra is in the Śāstra Bhandār of Bharatpur. It was written and painted in Bharatpur 23 years earlier. The paintings, designs and colours are similar to those preserved in the manuscript in the Jaina temple Terāpanthī. It appears that this manuscript was first written and then copy of illustrated manuscript of Bhaktāmar Stotra of Jaipur was made later on.

Besides the illustrated and painted manuscripts there are several manuscripts written in golden and silver ink. Such manuscripts though not available everywhere, are not very rare and can be seen in Grantha Bhandars of Jaisalmer. Jaipur, Ajmer, Nägaur, Bharatpur etc. In the Digambara Bhandars we find the copies of Bhaktāmar Stotra and Tattvārtha Sūtra mostly while in the Śwetāmbar Bhandars the illustrated manuscripts of Kalpasūtra. The Kalpasūtra manuscripts, written in golden ink are also in the collection of the Digambar Bhandārs. There are two manuscripts in the Grantha Bhandār of Baswā. Some of them have artistic designs and beautiful borders. The borders in some of the manuscripts in the Śāstra Bhandār of Nayā Mandir, Jaipur, in which every folio of the manuscript is decorated with colourful borders, are excellent.

Among the newly discovered illustrated manuscript is a Gutkā containing small works written both in Samskrit and Hindī. It was written in the year 1789 A.D. Originally this Gutakā belonged to the Grantha Bhandār of Ādīnātha temple, Būndī but at present it is in the possession of Śri Kesarimal Gangwāl of the same place. There are 72 paintins in the manuscript. All the paintings are influenced by the Moghul Art. Men are shown wearing turban with Dupaṭṭā and Dhoti. They are putting on various ornaments like Necklace etc.

The sādhus are shown naked having one wooden pot called Kamandalu in their left hand and Pichi in their right hand. The sādhus other than Jainas are painted in various dresses. Some are having beard and Jaṭā on their head.

Animals such as Lion, Bear and Monkey are painted in the same colour as they are found.

There are paintings of various of marriage ceremonies beginning from bethrothal where a Pandit is performing Tilak Ceremony on the forehead of bridegroom. In the marriage mandap, the bridegroom is shown. One man and lady are sitting by their side. In other paintings, the bridegroom is shown taking bride bound with red rope. There was purdāh system during those days.

In the Śāstra Bhandār of Pāndya Lūņkaranji there are individul pictures painted either on cloth or on paper. Some paintings pertain to the Mantra Śāstra while others are of Gods and Goddesses. Some of them are Jwāla Mālinī, Bhairava, Padmāvati, Padmaprabha, Kalikadevi, Narsinghavatār, Ganeśa, Dharnendra Padmāvati etc. These are on paper.

TREASURE HOUSES OF EARLIEST WRITTEN MANUSCRIPTS

The importance of these Grantha Bhandars are not only that these have thousands of manuscripts, but also on the basis that these Bhandars are the centres

for earliest written manuscripts, whether the manuscript is on palm leaves or on paper. The Jaina Grantha Bhandārs possess earliest written manuscripts. The earliest manuscript written on palm leaves is of Samvat 1117 i.e. 1060 A.D. The name of the manuscript is Ogha Nirjukti Vratti composed by Dronācārya. The original book is in Prākrit while the commentary is in Samskrit. The Praśasti of the manuscript is as follows:—

संवत् १११७ मंगलं महाश्री ।।छ।। पाहिलेन लिखितं मंगलं महाश्री ।।छ।।

Now we shall give some important Prasastis from the year 1060 A.D. to 1457 A.D. available in the Grantha Bhandars of Jaisalmer and written on palm leaves:—

(1) Pancasāra Prakarana Laghu Vratti: The manuscript was written in the year 1064 A. D. by Jasodhara. It is preserved in Brihad Gyāna Bhandār, Jaisalmer. The praśasti runs as under:-

संवत् ११२१ ज्येष्ठ सुदि ११ वुघदिने जसोधरेएा लिखितम् ।।

(2) Kuvalayamālā Kathā of Udyotan Sūri was written in the year 1082 A.D. The work is in Prākrit and has 254 folios of 25½" x 2" size. In the Prasasti only name of the year has been mentioned.

संवत् ११३६ फाल्गुन वदि १ रविदिने लिखितमिदं पुस्तकमिति ।

(3) Kāvyādarša of Kavi Dandi was copied in Samvat 1161 i. e. 1104

A. D., in the month of Bhādrapad. The manuscript is upto the third Pariccheda.

इतित्यशयकवेराचार्यदिष्डिन: कृती काव्यादर्शे दुःकरदोषविभागो नाम तृतीयः परिच्छेदः ।। संवत् ११६१ भाद्रपदे ।

(4) Āvasyaka Nirjutti of Bhadra Bāhu in Prākrit was copied in the year 1109 A.D. by Lihavaha. Mahārājā Jaya Singh Deva was the ruler at that time. The Prasasti is as follows:—

संवत् ११६६ पौप वुदी ३ मंगलदिने महाराजाधिराजत्रैलोनयगंडश्रीजयसींघदेव-विजयराज्ये लिहवेहेन लिखित ।

(5) Guru Parvādi of Palha Kavi is a manuscript of the year 1114 A.D. written in Pattan City under the rule of Jaisingh Deva. This manuscript was copied by Brahma Candragani. This work is Apabhramsa and is still unpublished. The Prasasti is as follows:—

संवत् ११७१ वर्षे पत्तनमहानगरे श्री जयसिहदेवविजयराज्ये श्री खरतरगच्छे योगीन्द्रयुग-प्रवानवसितवासिनां श्रीजिनदत्तमूरीएां जिप्येएा वह्यचन्द्रगिएानां लिखिता ॥ ॐ॥ जुम भवतु । ॐ श्रो पार्वनाथाय नमः ॥

(6) In the year 1128 A. D. Vipāka Sūtra Vratti of Abhaya Devācārya was written by the copyist Sodhala in the Anhila Pattan. The praśasti is as follows:—

सबत् ११८५ ज्येष्ट सुदि १२ णुके दिने श्रीमदणहिलपाटने लेखक सोढलेन लिखितिमिति।

(7) An another manuscript of Vipāka Sūtra was written in the year 1129 A. D. at Anhila Pattan. The manuscript contains folios 259 to 285 of 29\frac{3}{4}" x 2\frac{3}{4}" size. The pra\(\frac{5}{2}\)estimatesti given at the end of the manuscript is as follows:—

संवत् ११८६ ग्राप्त्रिन सुदि ३ मौमे । ग्रद्ये ह श्रीमदणहिल्लयत्तने ।

(8) In the year 1135 A.D. Jaya Kīrti Sūri's Chandonuśāsana was written. It is in Samskrit.

संवत् ११६२ त्रापाढ सुदि १० गना लिखितमिदमिति ।

(9) In the year 1138 A. D. Bhagwati Sūtra Vratti of Abhaya Devācārya was written by Bandi Rāja. It contains 225 folios of 26" x 2\frac{1}{4}" size. The pra\(\frac{1}{4}\) as follows:—

संवत् ११६५ श्रावण सुदी ६ णुके लिखितं च लेखक वंदिराजेन ।

(10) Praṣna Vyākaraṇa Sūtra Vratti by Abhaya Devācārya was written by Kaparda son of Cānda Hari in the year 1144 A.D. at Mundahāṭā village. The praśasti of the manuscript is as follows:—

संवत् १२०१ वैणाल वदि १२ मुं डहाटाग्रामे चांडहरिसुतेन लेखक कपर्देन नामा धम्म कथासंग वृत्ति लिखितमेतत् मंगलं महाश्री ।

(11) The famous Paum Cariya of Ācārya Vimala Sūri is a manuscript of the year 1147 A. D. written under the rule of Jaysingh Deva. This is the earliest manuscript of this work so far available in any of the Grantha Bhandar. The prasasti of the manuscript is as follows:

संवत् ११६८ कार्तिक वदि १३ ॥ छ ॥ महाराजाविराजश्रीजयसिघविजयदेवराज्ये मृगुकच्छममवस्थितेन लिखितेयं मिल्लर्गोन । (12) Samvegarānga Śālā of Jina Candra Sūri was written in the year 1150 A.D. This is a voluminous work containing 348 folios. The manuscript was copied in Vatapadrak. The praśasti runs as follows:-

संवत् १२०७ वर्षे सुदि १४ गुरौ अद्यो ह श्रीवटपद्रोकदंड. श्रीवोसरि प्रतिपत्तौ संवेगरंगशाला पुस्तक लिखितमिति ।।छ।।

(13) The manuscript of Upadeśapada Prakarana with commentary of Vardhamāna Sūri was written in the year 1155 A.D. at Ajmer. At this time Mahārājādhirāja Vigrah Deva was the ruler. The praśasti is very much important as this is a link in the history of Ajmer City. Praśasti of the manuscript is as follows:—

संवत् १२१२ चैत्र सुदि १३ गुरी श्रद्योह श्रीश्रजयमेरूटुर्गे समस्तराजावलिविराजित परम भट्टारकमहाराजाविराजश्रीविग्रहदेवविजयराज्ये उपदेशटीका लेखीति ॥छ।।

(14) Svapna Saptaţīkā Prakaraņa was written by Šāntamati Gaņi pupil of Jinadatta Sūri in Samvat 1215 on ninth day of the Māgha month i.e. in the year 1158 A.D. The manuscript contains 15 folios. The The praśasti is as follows:—

संवत् १२१५ माघ सुदि ६ बुवे पुस्तिका लिखितिमिति ।।छ।। श्रीमत् जिनदत्तसूरिसिसिन्याः सज्भाय शांतमतिगिगिन्याः पुस्तिका श्री ।।

(15) The manuscript of Candra Prabha Swāmi Carita of Yasodeva Sūii was copied in the year 1160 A. D. by Pandit Abhaya Kumār belonging to Brāhminagacha:—

संवत् १२१७ चैत्रविद ६ बुघी ।।छ।। श्री बाह्मणगच्छे पं० स्रमयकुमारस्य ।

(16) Upadeśamālā Prakaraņa and Puṣapamāla Prakaraņa of Maldhāri Hemcandra Sūri is a manuscript of the year 1165 A.D. In the praśasti only the name of the Vikram Era is given:—

"संवत् १२२२ पौष वदि १"

(17) Nandi Durga Pada Vratti of Éri Candra Sūri in Samskrit was written in the year 1169 A. D. by Palhana son of Mandani. This was got written by Guna Bhadra Sūri:

संवत् १२२६ वर्षे द्वितीय श्रावरा सुदि ३ सौमे श्रद्योह मंडनीवास्तव्य श्री जाल्योवरगच्छे मौढवंसे श्रावसुकदेवसुतेत ले० पल्हेरान लिखिता। लिखापिता च श्री गुरामद्रसूरिभि: ।।छ।। मंगलमस्तु ।। (18) Bhagvatī Sūtra was written in Samvat 1231 i. e. 1174 A.D. by Dhana Candra in the month of Vaiśākha. The manuscript contains 348 folios of 29\frac{3}{4}" x 2\frac{1}{2}" size. The prasasti is as follows:—

भगवई समत्ता ।।छ।। ॐ ।।छ।। संवत् १२३१ वैणाखवदि एकादण्यां गुरौ अपराह्ने धराचंद्रोन लिखितमिति ।

(19) The manuscript of Vyavahāra Sūtra of Bhadrabāhu Swāmi in Prākrit was written in the year 1179 A. D. on the 10th day of Śrāvaṇa month at Anhila Pattan by Sādhu Jina Bandhura:—

संवत् १२३६ ।। श्रावरा वदि १० णुक्ते श्रद्धोह श्रीमदराहिपाटकस्थितेन साधु जिनवसुरेरा कर्मञयार्थ लिखतमिति ।

(20) The manuscript of Mahāvīrā Carita of Guṇa Candra Sūri written in Prākrit prose and poetry is of the year 1185 A.D. The praśasti runs as follows:—

मंवत् १२४२ कार्तिक सुदि १३ गुरौ ।।छा।
विकाम निवगयकाले वाया लिहए य वारस सएय ।
कात्तिय तरिसए गुरूवासरे सोहण मुहुत्ते ।
ससारोयतिरयं समत्य परिहरियं ।
सिरवीरनाहचरियं लिहियमिणं सुमगावृहेण ।।छ।।

(21) The manuscript of Bhava Bhavanā Prakaraṇa of Maladhari Hem Candra Sūri is of the year 1203 A.D. written at Anahila Pattan under the rule of Mahārājādhirāja Bhimadeva. The copyist of the manuscript was Mohad son of Mahīpāla who was living at Kansa village. The Prasasti is as follows:—

नवत् १२६० वर्षे श्राम्वरण सुदि १४ गुरावद्ये ह श्रीमदरणहिलपाटके महाराजाधिराज नीमदेवकल्यारणविजयराज्ये तत्पादपद्योपजीविनि महामात्य रार्ण श्रीचाचाक: श्रीश्री करगणिदसमस्तमुद्राच्यापारान्परिपंथयतीत्येवं काले प्रवर्त्ततमाने रूद्रपल्लीयश्री..... देवसूर्यादेणेन मवभावनावृत्तिपुस्तकं विषयपथके कांसाग्रामवास्तव्यं लेख० मोहडपुत्र महिपालेन भव्याक्षरै: शुद्धाक्षरैश्च लिखितमिति ।।छ।। शुभं भवतु

(22) Bhagwatī Sūtra Vratti of Abhayadevācārya was written in the year 1217 A. D. at Prahalādanpur. It contains 435 folios of $29\frac{3}{4}$ " x $2\frac{3}{4}$ " size.

संवन् १२७४ वर्षे प्रथमज्येष्ठ वदि ७ गुक्ते प्रल्हारदनपुरे भगवतीवृत्तिपुस्तकमलेखीति ॥

(23) Dasavaikālika Sūtra Vratti of Hari Bhadra Sūri was written in the year 1232 A. D. by Thakur Kumār Singh of Sādhā who was related to Mālavansa of Stambha Tīrthanagar. There are five manuscripts written by the same scholar in the Jaisalmer Bhandār. The prasasti is as follows:—

संवत् १२८६ फाल्गुगा सुदि ४ सोमे स्तंभतीर्थनगरिनवासिना । श्री श्रीमालवंशोर्भवेन ठ. साढासुतेन ठ. कुमारिसहेन दशवैकालिकश्रुतस्कंघवृत्ति १ निर्यु क्ति २ सूत्र ३ पुस्तंक लेखयांचके ।।

Thus from the above prasastis written at the end of the manuscripts it is clear that earliest written manuscripts on palm leaves are available in Jaina Grantha Bhandars. In this respect Grantha Bhandars of Jaisalmer are only the place in Rējasthān, where palm leaf manuscripts of ancient times are available.

PAPER MANUSCRIPTS

1. The earliest written manuscript on paper has been found in the Grantha Bhandar of Digamber Jaina Terapanthi Bada Mandir, Jaipur, This is a manuscript of Pancasti Kaya of Acarya Kunda Kunda in Prakrit and copied in the year 1272 A.D. It was written in Yoginipur-an old name of Delhi when Gayasuddin Balban was the emperor. The prasasti is as follows:—

संवत् १३२६ चैत्र बुदी दशम्यां बुधवासरे अद्योह योगिनीपुरे समस्तराजावितसमालंकृत श्री गयासूदीनराज्ये अत्रस्थितअग्रोतकपरमश्रावक जिनचरनकमल.....!

2. There are several manuscripts which were written in the 13th, 14th and the 15th Centuries and at present are in the collection of various Bhandārs. On the basis of this it may be concluded that before the 13th Century all the manuscripts were used to be written on palm leaves. Some of the manuscripts written on paper may be described here.

The manuscript of 'Trisasti Śalākā' Pursuṣā Carita of Hemacandra Sūri pertains to the year 1328 A.D. There is a descriptive prasasti which gives full information about the author and the date of writing.

^{1.} Grantha Bhandar of Jaisalmer.

3. In the year 1334 A.D. Uttar Purāņa, the second part of Mahāpurāņa of Puṣpadant was written also in Yoginipur when Mohmmad Śāh was the emperor. The manuscript was copied by Vāhad Rājadev son of Gandharava. The praśasti of the manuscript is as follows:—

संवत्सरेऽस्मिन् श्रीविक्रमादित्यगताव्दाः संवत् १३६१ वर्षे ज्येष्ठ वृदि ६ गुरूवासरे ग्रहो ह श्रीयोगिनीपुरे समस्तराजाविकिशिरोमुकटमाग्गिक्यखिनतनखरम्भी सुरत्राणश्री महम्मद्रसाहिनाम्निमहीं विश्रतिसित ग्रस्मिन् राज्ये योगिनीपुरस्थिता अग्रोतकान्वय नमःश्रणांक सा० महिपालपुत्रैः जिनचरग्गकमलचंचरीकैः सा. खेतू फेरा साढा महाराजा हपा एतैः। सा० खेतू पुत्र गल्हा ग्राजा एतै । सा० फेरा वीवा हेमराज एतैः धर्म कर्माण् सदोद्यमपरेः ज्ञानावरग्गियकम्मंक्षयाय भव्यजनानां पठनाय उत्तरपुराग्ण पुम्तकं लिखापितं। लिखित गोडान्वय कायस्थ पडित गंधवं पुत्र बाहडराजदेवेन ।

- 4. After its one year the manuscript of Kātantara Vyākaraņa with the commentary of Vidyānandi was copied by Yasah Kirtīgani pupil of Jina Candrasuri when he was staying at Devarājpur. The manuscript is at present in the Jaisalmer Sāstra Bhandār.
- 5. Vahad Rājdeva who was the copyist of the manuscript of Uttarpurāna also wrote Kriyā Kalāpa in the year 1342 A.D. at Yoginipur under the rule of same emperor Mohammad Sāh. The manuscript exists in the Āmer Sāstra Bhandār, Jaipur.

मवन् १३६६ फाल्गुनसुदी १ जुकवासरे श्रीयोगिनीपुरे सुरवाग्श्रीमन्महम्मदसाहिराज्य-प्रवर्त्तमाने काष्ठासंघे त्रयोदश्विधचारित्रपात्रमट्टारकनयसेनः तस्य गिष्यमट्टारक दुर्नमसेनः तस्याध्ययनाय पुस्तकमिदं प्रतिक्रमग्गवृत्ते लेखयित्वा दरवारचैत्यालय समीपस्य ग्रग्रोत्कान्वय परमश्रावक सागिया इति पुरूपसज्ञकेन पाटगावास्तव्य......तोमडपुत्रेग् भीमनाम्ना पंचम्युद्यापनं कृतं देवगुरूगां प्रसादात् शतायुभूयात् पंडितगंधवंपुत्रेग् वाहडदेवन लिखितमिति श्रमां।

6. There is manuscript in the Śāstra Bhandār of Dhānmandi, Udaipnr which was written in the year 1313 A. D. This is a manuscript of Sarwārth Siddhi of Pūjyapāda written by the same scholar Vāhad Rājadeva son Pt. Gandharava at Yoginipur. The praśasti of the manuscript is as follows:—

संवत् १३७० पोप दृदि १० गुरुवासरे ।। श्री योनीपुरस्थितेन साधूश्रीनरायण सुत भीम सुत श्रावक देवघरेण स्वपठनाय तत्त्वार्यवृत्तिपुस्तकं लिखापितं । लिखितं गौडान्वय कायस्य पंडित गंघवं पुत्र वाहडदेवेनेति ।। 7. In the Sastra Bhandar of Khandelwal Mandir, Kama there is a manuscript of Pandava Carita of Devprabha Suric copied in the year 1397 A.D. It was copied by Vayararsena for Muniprabha Suri. The prasasti is as follows:—

संबत् १४५४ वर्ष ज्येष्ठ सुदि सप्तमी शुक्रवारे श्रीः पान्डवचरितं वयरसेगोन लिखितं । महाहडीयगच्छे श्रीमुनिश्रमसूरीगां योग्यं।।

8. Parmātma Prakāśa of Yogindn (8th Century) exists in the Śāstra Bhandār of Pāndya Lūnkaranji of Jaipur. It is a manuscript of the year 1400 A.D.

There are several manuscripts written in the 14th and 15th centuries in the Grantha Bhandar, and one or two manuscript of this period are easily available in most of the Grantha Bhandars.

Thus the Jaina Grantha Bhandars are of great value from the point of earlist written manuscripts. In this respect they are incomparable to others and inspite of frequent destruction of the manuscripts there are still manuscripts from 11th Century.

TREASURE HOUSES FOR NON-JAINA WORKS

The Grantha Bhandars are not only the treasure houses for the books written by the Jaina writers but they are also the good centres for the manuscripts written by the scholars other than Jainas. The Sādhus and also the house-holders made no difference while collecting the manuscripts for these Bhandars and they collected giving them the same importance to the manuscripts written by non-Jaina scholars also. Some of the manuscripts are also such which are available in these Jaina Bhandars alone. In this respect the Granth Bhandars of Āmer, Jaipur, Nāgaur, Bīkāner. Jaisalmer, Kotāh, Būndī and Ajmer are important.

The Jaina scholars not only saved the manuscripts from destruction but also wrote commentaries, Vrittis, and Bhāsyas on them. They translated them into Hindī and gave full support for their wide circulation.

The manuscripts relating to the subjects of Kāvya, Kathā, Vyākaraņa, Āyurveda, Jyotisa and subjects of other general interest are found in good number. Manuscripts even on the religious subjects based on the Smritis, Upnisadas, Samhitās, Brahmanas are also available in the collection of these Bhandārs. There are about 500 manuscripts only in Jaina Sāstra Bhandār of Mandir Pāţodī Jaipur on the above subjects.

The manuscript of Kāvya Prakāša of Mammata written in the year 1158 A. D. exists in the Jaisalmer Bhandār. It was written in Anhilpattan when King Kumārpāla was the ruler. The end of the book is as follows:—

समाप्तोऽयं काव्यप्रकाशः काव्यलक्षणम् । कृतीः राजानकमम्मटालकयोः । संवत् १२१५ ग्रिश्वनं सुदी १४ बुघे ग्रद्योहं श्रीमदणहिलपाटके समस्तराजावलीविराजितमहाराजाधि-राजपरमेश्वरपरममट्टारक उमापितवरलव्धाप्रासादप्रौढप्रतापिनजमुजरणांगणविनिर्जित णांकमिरभूपाल श्रीकुमारपालदेवकल्याणविजयराज्ये पंडित लक्ष्मीधरेण पुस्तकं लिखापितम् ।

The manuscript is on palm leaves.

The another manuscript of Kāvyādarśa of Someśvar written on palm leaves is available in the Granth Bhandār of Jaisalmer and pertains to the year 1216 A.D. A very old paper manuscript also exists in the Āmer Sastra Bhandār, Jaipur. One more commentary by Guna Ratan written on this book, is in the Hari Sāgar Gyāna Bhandār, Lohāwat-Jodhpur.

The manuscript of Kāvyālankāra composed by Kavi Rudraţa with a commentary of Nemi Sādhu is available in Jaisalmer Bhandār. It is a copy on palm leaves of the year 1149 A.D. The end of the manuscript is as follows:—

इति प्रवेताम्बरिवरिचिते रुद्रटालंकारिटप्पग्रके चित्राध्यायः पंचमः समाप्तः । मंगलं महाश्री ।। संवत् १२०६ स्रापढ वंदि ५ गुरुदिने लिखितिमिति । शुभमस्तु सर्वकल्याग्रं ।

Another manuscript on paper with a commentary of the same scholar, Nemi exists in the Amer Sastra Bhandaar, Jaipur.

A manuscript of Vakrokti Jīvita of Kuttaka Kavi written in 14th Century. is preserved in the Grantha Bhandār of Jaisalmer at number 328. The manuscript is written on palm leaves.

Kavyālankāra of Vāman with a commentary written by the author himself is available in the Grantha Bhandār of Jaisalmer at serial number 333. It is a palm leaf manuscript while the paper manuscript is at the Sāstra Bhandār, Nāgaur. It is a manuscript of 15th Century. A palm leaf manuscript of Kāvya Mīmānsā of Rāja Sekhar written in the year 1159 A.D. is in the Grantha Bhandār of Jaisalmer. The end of the manuscript is as follows:—

इतिसिद्धो महाकवि:।।छ।। इति राजशेखरकृतौ काव्यमीमांसायाः कविरहस्ये प्रथमेऽ-धिकरसे कालविभागो नाम समीक्षा श्रष्टादशोऽध्याय: ।।छ।। समाप्तं चेदं कविरहस्यं प्रथममधिकरणमण्टादशोऽध्याय: ।। छ ।। शुभमस्तु । लेखकपाठकयो: । मंगलमहाश्री ।।छ।। संवत् १२१६ फाल्गुन वदि ६ सोमदिने ।।छ।। ।।छ।।

Palm leaf manuscript of Alankāra Sāra Sangraha also called Udbhaţālankāra of Udbhaţa who flourished in the Court of King Jayapāla of Kashmir is available in the Jaisalmer Bhandār. It is with the commentary of Pratihārendra Rāja. The manuscript belongs to the year 1107 A.D.

Vyakti Viveka Kāvyalankāra of Rājānak Mahim in Samakrit is preserved in in the Jaisalmer Bhandār. The manuscript is on Palm leaves and is of the 13th Century.

All the Kāvyas written by the poets like Kālidāsa, Māgha, Bhārvi, Harsa, Halayudha, Bhātti etc., are available in the Granth Bhandārs of Āmer, Nāgaur, Jaisalmer and Bīkāner. The copies of manuscripts of each such Kāvyas are more than one and in some of the Bhandārs they reach even 20.

There is a manuscript of Raghuvansa of Kālidāsa written on palm leaves of the 14th Century in the Grantha Bhandār of Jaisalmer. Manuscripts of commentaries written by Gunaratan Sūri, Caritra Vardhana and Mallinātha, Samayasundar, Dharma Meru and Šānti Vijay (1610 A.D.) are also in the collection of the Bhandārs of Jaisalmer, Bīkāner, Jaipur and Nāgāur. Raghuvansa and Kumārsambhava, of Kālidāsa are also popular among the Jainas. In every Bhandār we find one or two manuscripts of them. There are 13 manuscripts of Raghuvansa in the Grantha Bhandār of Digambara Jaina Terāpanthī Mandir, Jaipur. All the manuscripts of Meghadūta with the commentary of Mallinātha are available in the collection of Abhaya Granthālāya, Bīkāner.

The manuscript of Naisādha Carita of Harsa Kavi written in the year 1321 A. D. on palm leaves is preserved in the collection of Jaisalmer Bhandār. In the same way manuscripts of other Kāvyas such as Bhattī-Kāvya, Kavi-Rahasya of Halāyudha with the commentary of Ravidharma and Anargha Rāghava of Murārī are available in the collection of Jaisalmer Grantha Bhandārs.

Commentary written by Prakāśavarṣa on Kirātarjunīya of Bharvi is a rare manuscript. Prakāśa Varṣa wrote that he was a son of Harṣa of Kāṣṇar. One manuscript of this is in the Jaisalmer Śāstra Bhandār. The manuscript of Jaipur Bhandār is beautiful and correct one.

There are six manuscripts of Sisupālavadha of Māgha in the Grantha Bhandar of Terāpanthī Mandir Jaipur and one of the manuscript is of the year 1438 A.D. Even earlier manuscript of the same Kāvya exists in the Grantha Bhandār of Jaisalmer.

Kirnāwali of Udainācārya with a commentary of an unknown writer is in the collection of Amer Śāstra Bhandār. Manuscript of Sānkhya Saptati written by Acārya Kapila also exists in the same Bhandār. This is a manuscript dated 1370 A.D. In the Jaisalmer Śāstra Bhandār Sānkhya Saptati Bhāṣya by Gaudpada is preserved. This is a manuscript of 1143 A.D. on palm leaves.

Commentary on Sānkhya Sapatati called Sānkhyatatwakaumudi of Vacaspati Misra is also preserved in the same Bhandār and the Sānkhya Sapatati of Ishwār Krisna is also in the collection. All the manuscripts are of 11th and 12th Centuries.

A manuscript of 'Patanjala Yoga Darsana Bhasya' of Vacaspati Harsa Misra and Vyās Risis are preserved in the Granth Bhandār of Jaisalmer. A 12th Century manuscript written on palm leaves of Prasasta Pāda Bhāsya also is preserved in the Jaisalmer Bhandār. In the same Bhandār we also find the following early manuscripts:—

- (1) Nyāya Bindu of Acārya Dharma Kīrti with a commentary of Ācārya Dharmottarpāda. The manuscript is of 13th Century.
- (2) Commentary on Nyāya Kāndli of Srīdhar Bhatta written in the 13th. Century.
- (3) A manuscript of Khāndan-Khanda-Khādya of Sri Harsa of 1234 A.D.
- (4) Manuscript of Gautamīya Nyāya Sūtra Vratti written in the year. 1151 A. D.
- (5) Manuscript of Nyāya Siḍḍhānt Dīpaka with a commentary of Sasidhara is available in the Bhatṭārkīya Grantha Bhandār of Ajmer.

The dramas written by great poets such as Kālidāsa, Murārī. Višākha Datta and Bhaṭṭa Nārāyaṇa are preserved in the various Grantha Bhaṇḍārs. In the Śāstra Bhaṇḍārs of Jaisalmer, the manuscript of these dramas are of very early dates. Some of the early manuscripts are as follows:—

A manuscript copy of Mudrā Rāksasa Nāṭak of Visākha Datta prepared in Samvat 1314 i. e. 1257 A. D. is there. It contains a commentary also. The end of the work is as follows:—

संवत् १२१४ वर्षे लो० ग्रापाढ विदिशनो अद्योह श्रीवामनस्थल्यां स्थित महं० देयह सुत ठ० ग्रामादीतेन पुस्तकं लिखितमिति । शुभं भवतु लेखकपाठकानां ग्रन्येपामेव ।

- 2. The manuscript of Veni Samhāra of Bhatta Nārāyana is of the 14th. Century.
- 3. The manuscript of Anargha Rāghava Nāṭak of Murārī Kavi of the 14th Century is preserved in the same Bhanḍār. Another manuscript with a commentary of Maldhāri Nārcandra Sūri is also available in the same Bhanḍār.
- 4. The manuscript of Prabodha Candrodaya Nāṭak of Kriṣṇa Misra is of 1261 A.D. The praśasti of the manuscript is as follows:—
 संवत् १३१८ वर्षे सूदी ६ रवी ग्रद्धोह श्री भुगुकच्छे सा० मह० देयड सुत ठ० ग्रासादी-

त्यस्य स्वार्थे प्रबोधचन्द्रोदयं नाटक लिखितं । शुभं भवतु लेखकपाठकयोः ।

5. An old Vāsava Dattā Ākhyāyika of Mahākavi Subandhū written in the year 1150 A. D. exists in the Grantha Bhandār of Jaisalmer. The manuscript was written by Ācārya Yaśodhar under the rule of Govinda Candra. The praśasti of the work is as follows:—

इति महाकविसुबन्धुविरचिता वासवदत्ता नाम कथा समर्थिता ।। संवत् १२०७ श्रावरा वदि १४ सोमे रूद्रपल्लीसमावासे राजश्रीगोविन्दचन्द्रदेवविजयराज्ये श्री यशोधरेगा श्राचार्यागां कृते लिखितेयं वासवदत्ते ति ।

- 6. One manuscript of 'Cakrapānivijay Mahākāvya' of Laxmidhara

 Bhaṭṭa of 14th Century is available in the Grantha Bhanḍār of
 Jaisalmer.
- 7. A copy of Vratta Ratnākar of Bhatta Kedāra copied in the 14th Century exists in the Grantha Bhandār of Jaisalmer. In the same Bhandār a palm leaf manuscript of Līlāvati Kathā written by Bhūṣaṇa Bhatta son of Kutuhala Kavi is preserved. It is a manuscript of 1208 A.D.

On the other subjects like Ayurveda, Jyotisa, Grammar and Kosa etc. there is a large number of manuscripts in these Bhandars and some of them are very early written.

Thus the study and survey of these Grantha Bhandars are very much important not only for tracing out the works written by Jaina writers but also for works which are written by the non-Jaina scholars.

HINDĪ & RĀJASTHĀNI WORKS

Also for the collection of Hindī and Rājasthāni works written by non-Jaina writers, these Grantha Bhandārs are of great importance. Bhandārs situated in

villages even contain the valuable Hindī manuscripts. Manuscript of Prithavirāja Rāso, one of the most famous works of Hindī language are found in the Jaina śāstra Bhandārs of Cūrū, Kotāh and Bīkāner. In the same way the manuscripts of the famous Hindī work of Viśāl Deva Rāso were written by Jaina Sādhus and are preserved in the Jaina Grantha Bhandārs. In the Abhaya Granthālaya of Bīkāner there are nine manuscripts of this work. In the Khartargacchā Jaina Sāstra Bhandār of Kotāh, there is a manuscript of Viśāldeva Rāso of 1320 A.D.

On the work of Krisna Rukmani Veli there are about seven commentaries by Jaina scholars. Several manuscripts of this work are found in the Jaina Grantha Bhandārs of Jaipur, Būndī, Ajmer and Mozamabad.

Rasikprīyā is also included in the collection of the Jaina Grantha Bhandars. Hindī commentaries of Kuśaldhīra and Keśavadāsa are also preserved in them.

Two manuscripts of Jaitesi Rāso which is said to have been written on Rao Jaitesi, Bīkāner Ruler, are in Abhaya Granthālaya, Bīkāner. Various historical works such as Vachavat Vanśāvali of Kavi Sānkur and Rasa Vilāsa of Cāraņa are also available.

Old manuscripts of Vaitāla Paccīsī, Vilhan Carita Caupai by Delha and Vikramaditya Caupai by Lāl are also preserved in the Jaina Grantha Bhandārs.

In the same way the works written by some poets such as Kabīrdāsā, Górakhnātha etc. are also available in the Jaina Grantna Bhanḍārs. There is one Guṭakā in the Śāstra Bhanḍār of Bɪḍā Mandir, Jaipur in which small works of 35 poets belonging to Gorakhanātha sect are written.

Manuscripts of Madhu Mālti Kathā written by Śrī Caturbhujadāsa are found in these Grantha Bhandārs in good number. There is a manuscript in the of Bada Mandir Jaipur which contains 911 stanzas, the highest number found even in any Grantha Bhandār.

Manuscript copies of Simhāsana Battīsī written by the various authors are available in the Grantha Bhandārs of Jaisalmer, Āmer and Bīkāner. In the Grantha Bhandārs of Jaisalmer, manuscript of this work written by Sanghavijay in the year 1621 A. D. is available. Several manuscripts on the story of Dholāmāru is also preserved in there Bhandārs.

There is a manuscript of Mādhavānal Prabandha Kathā written by Ganpati in the Śāstra Bhandār of Būndī. It was composed in the year 1537 A.D. and the manuscript is of the year 1596. This is a very good work in Dohā metre containing 2457 verses.

CHAPTER VI MATERIAL FOR RESEARCH

SCOPE FOR RESEARCH IN THE JAINA GRANTHA BHANDARS:

The Jaina Grantha Bhandars of Rajasthan are the great store houses of manuscripts written on Palm leaves, paper and clothes. There are more than one lac manuscripts housed in these Bhandars. They deal with a large variety of subjects. There is perhaps no topic on which no literature is found in these Bhandars. If the Jaina scholars did not write any work on a particular topic they collected works of other scholars for the sake of study. It is a matter of great pleasure that the collection of manuscripts was made only from the point of view of collection of the best and useful material without prejudice to works by non-Jaina authors. Due to their great love for literature, thousands of copies of works written by the leading non-Jaina scholars have found place in these Bhandars.

These Bhandars have not been thoroughly examined so far. catalogues have not been prepared in most cases, and if prepared, they are not on scientific lines, Indian scholars are in dark about the usefulness of most of these Bhandars. Works on Literature of Samskrit, Prākrit, Apabhramsa, Hindī and Rajasthani and other allied Indian languages are in such a large number that there is great scope for research on several topics. The contribution of Jaina scholars to the Indian languages has not yet been acknowledged properly. Their contribution to every sphere of knowledge is important. It should not be regarded as merely sectarian and therefore unimportant. There are hundreds of works written in Prākrit language. As a matter of fact the command of Prakrit literature belong mostly to the Jaina scolars. There is a great scope for research on the various works of this language. Moreover most of the works written in this language form a part of the collection of Rajastnan Bhandars and hence they are alone the proper centres for Research. Works on all subjects such a Agama, Kāvya, Drama, Kathā and some scientific subjects are found in this language. As a matter of fact Prākrit language was the language of the people for more than one thousand years.

To the Samskrit language the contributions of Jaina scholars is also great. On every aspect of Samskrit literature Jainas have written works such as Kāvyas, Stories, Purāṇas, Joytiṣa, Āyurveda etc. From the 4th Chapter of this book it would be clear that Jaina scholars have contributed greatly to the literary activity of our country. There are also poets like Jainaseana, Guṇabhadra, Vardhamāna Bhaṭṭāraka, Somadeva, Vīranandi, Hemcandra, Sakalkīrti etc. who contributed hundreds of works to this language. There is no subject on which Jaina Scholars have not written. But if we see history of Samskrit literature we shall find that their works are not sufficiently acknowledged except that a few references are given here and there. Besides original works the Jaina authors have written commentaries on works written by non-Jaina authors. The commentary on Anargha Rāghava Nāṭak by Maladhāri

Nāra Candra Sūri is one of them. The manuscripts written by the non-Jaina Scholars are safe in Jaina Bhandārs and some earlist manuscripts written by them are also preserved, There are hundreds of Kāvyas, some of them are of high order, Campu literature written by Jaina Scholars can be compared with the works written by non-Jaina authors. In the field of scientific literature also such as Grammer, Jyotişa and Āyurveda, the contributions of Jaina scholars are of great importance and require thorough research.

As regards Apabhramsa literature, mostly the Jaina works hold the field. In order to have a correct knowledge of the development of Hindi literature, works written in Apabhramsa have to be studied. Works written by the great poets like Svayambhu, Puspadant, Vīra, Nayanandi, Amar Kīrti, Dhanpāl, Sricandra, Hemcandra, Dhahila and Raidhu etc., cannot be ignored as their works are masterpieces of this language. Apabhramsa was popular for about 6 to 7 hundred years. About 30 years ago there was a notion that whole of the Apabhramsa literature has been either destroyed or has disappeared. But this presumption of the scholars was made without seeing the Jaina Grantha Bhandārs. Now all the scholars have admitted the importance of this literature and are trying to study it. Besides 8 to 10 works which have been published more than 100 are still unpublished. Then there is also a great scope for research in this sphere of literature.

As regard Hindī, Rājasthānī and other provincial languages, the Jainascholars equally shared in the enhancement of literature. There were Jaina scholars who took initiative in writing their works in Hindi. They wrote Hindi works when writing in Hindi was looked down by the scholars. If the Svayambhu's work: "Paumcariu" is admitted as the first Hindi poem then it was from 8th century that Jaina scholars began to serve Hindi. There are several Jaina scholars who wrote: masterpiece work in those days. In the Jaina Sastra Bhandars of Rajasthan and and specially in the Bhandars of Jaipur, Ajmer and Nagaur, Bikaner and Udaipur a large literature written in Hindī and Rājasthānī language is avallable. These works have not been properly classified. The oldest work written in Brijbhāṣa is Pradyumna Carita, written by a Jaina scholar in Samwat 1411 j. e. 1354 A. D. Older than this no work has been found so far written in Brija language, In the same way Jinadatta Carita, a work of 1296 A. D. has just been discovered in a Jaina Granth Bhandar of Jaipur. It is the first work in which date of composition is given. There are several works written by Jaina scholars on subjects like story and other allied subjects. If we count the Hindi works written by Jaina scholars, the number will not be less than. one thousand. In this way there is a great scope for research on this side also. It is certain that without taking these works into consideration the true history of Hindi and Rajasthanī cannot be written and for such a research, in the Jaina Grantha Bhandārs

of Rajasthan are the centres of attraction, where works on each subject whether old or new are preserved.

As already stated the Jaina scholars who had been in Rājasthān wrote several works in Apabhramśa Prākrit, Samskrit, Hindī and Rājasthānī, There works are preserved in good number in these Bhandārs. Most of such works are still unpublished and in some cases even their existence is not known to the scholars. In the days of political ups and downs when education was not as widespread as today, the scholars served the public by writing several works in various languages. We shall now give a description of some of the outstanding Rājasthānī authors along with their works. We will classify them as follows:—

- (1) Prākrit and Apabhramsa Writers.
- (2) Samskrit writers.
- (3) Hindī and Rājasthānī authors.

PRĀKRIT & APABHRAMŚA WRITERS

1. PADMANANDI:

The writer of Jambu Dwīpa Pragnapti in Prākrit was a Rājasthānī scholar. He was a descendent in the line of Veernandi and pupil of Bālanandi. The work 'Jambudwipa Pragnapti' was written at Baran Nagar, a sub-divisional Head-quarter of Rājasthan. At that time Sakti Kumār was the rulār of Mewar. In those days Bāran was under the Mewar State. No date of its composition is given but probably it was composed in vs 805 i. e. 748 A. D. The author has described the prosperity and wealth of Bāran. Sakti Kumār had been stated to be the ruler of the city.²

2. HARISENA:

Harişena was a resident of Cittor. His father's name was Goverdhana. Dhakkada was his caste which originated from 'Srī Ujapur'. Once the poet went to

- 1. Introdution to Purățana Vākya Sūci p. 67.
- 2. गागागुगागणकिलग्रो, गारवइ संपूजिग्रो कलाकुगलो । वारागायरस्स पहु गारूतमो, संतिभूपालो ।।१६६।। पोवखरिगाविषउरे, बहुभवन विह्सिए परमरम्मे । गागणसंकिण्गो, धराधण्णसमाउले दिव्वे ।।१६७।।

'Acalpur' where he composed his famous work 'Dhamma Parikkhā' in Samvat 1044 (987 A.D.).

His work remained very popular for long and was read with great interest Several manuscripts are preserved in the Grantha Bhandars of of Rajasthan and specially at Amer and Nagaur Bhandars. The work is still unpublished.

The work is divided into 11 Sandhis in which more than 100 stories have been told. The poet was a great lover of Mewar and its beauty. At one place he has given a beautiful description.

जो सिहिर सिहिंगा केक्कारइल्लु, सिर तिंड रहट्ट जब सेयगिल्लु।
तक्ष् कुसुमगंच वासिय दियंत्त, गोसेस सास संपुंग्ग्ण च्छित ।
च्य वण कोइलाराव रम्भु, वर सर सारस वय जिएय पेम्मु।
मिस किसलय पासायण तुटठ हंस, मयरंद मत्त अलिउल्ल गिघोस।
करवंद जाल किंडि विहियतोसु, वण तक्ष् हल सडिएगिए पोसु।
कय सास चरणु गो महिसि महिसु, उच्छ वण पद रिसियरस विसेसु।
तत्पागंदिय दीएा वेंदु, थल गिलिंगि सयणा गण पिह्य तंदु।
वर सालि मुगंविय गंधवाहु, तब्खिण सक्णट्ठिवय सुय समूहु।
गियडत्य गाम मंडिय पएसु, जरावय परिपूरिय जाम कोसु।
रिड जोग्ग सोवल रंजिय जग्गोहु, गय चोर मारि भय लद्ध सोहु।

घत्ता

जो उच्चाएाहि सोहइ, खेयर मोहइ, वल्ली हरिह विलासिह । मिए कचरा क्य पुराराहि, वरारा रवराराहि पुरिह स गोउर सालिह ।।

—Dhamma Parikkhā 11-1

-Dhamma Parikkha 11-26

विवक्तम गािव परिस् कालह, अव गय वरिस सहस चउतालए।

१. इय मेवाडदेसे जर्णसंकुले, सिग्डिजपुर शिग्गय वक्करा कुले । गोवद्रसा नामें उप्पत्तडं, जो सम्मत्त रयसा संपुत्तडं। तहो गोवद्रसामु पिय वसावह, जा जिसावर मुिरावर पिय गुरावह । ताई जिसाउ हैरिसेसा सामें सुड, सो संजाड विवृह कद विस्सुड । मिरि चितडड् चरिवि अचलडग्ही, गुड गियकडजें जिसाहर पडरही तहि छंदाचकारपस्माहिय, धम्मपरिक्ष एह तें साहिय ।। २६.

3. Dhanpāla:

Dhanpāla was a famous poet of Apabhramsa. His work 'Bhavisyatta-kahā' was first discovered by Dr. Jacobi in Ahmedābād with the help of a Jaina monk. It was published later on by Royal Academi Munich. It was also published in Gack, Orintal Series, 1923. The poet while giving his account only mentioned his caste as Dhakkad and his mother and father's name as Dhanasiri and Mayesar. He was proud of his knowledge so he has addressed himself as the son of Saraswati. (सरसइ बहुलद्ध महावरेगा). Hariṣeṇa, the writer of Dhamma Parikkhā was also of this caste. According to the inscription of Śrī Tejpāl of Delwāḍa, there is a mention of Dhakkad caste. Harisena wrote that Dhakkad caste originated from Siriujpur which seems to be the old name of Sironj, an old town in Rājasthān in the Kotāh district, now transferred to Madhya Pradeśa. But according to Dhamma Parikkhā, Sriujapur is in Mewār which has been mentioned clearly in the following line:—

'इय मेवाड देस जुरा संकुले गिरि उजपुर ग्रिग्गय धक्कड कुले'

Bhavisyttakahā remained very popular among the Jainas for centuries. Manuscripts of this work are found in several Bhandārs of Rājasthān. There are 10 manuscripts only in one Āmer Sāstra Bhandār, Jaipur. This shows its wide popularity. He was a 10th century scholar.

4. HARIBHADRA SÜRI :--

He was a great scholar of Prākrit and Samskrit. He belonged to Cittor. He wrote commentaries on the Anuyogadvāra Sūtra, Āvaśya Sūtra, Daśavaikālika Sūtra¹ Nandi Sūtra², Pragnāpanā Sūtra. He also wrote Anekānta Jaya Patākā³ and Anekānta Vāda Praveśa⁴ in which he not merely presented the Jaina Philosophy of Anekānta but criticised the current philosophical systems. He is also the writer of Samarāicca Kahā. It is a big romance in mixed prose and verse. His Dhūrtā Khyāna is a good satire on popular Hinduism. It is still unpublished. Haribhadra's

धनकड विशा वंसे माएसरहो समुब्भविशा । धगासिरिहो वि सुवेशा विरहउ सरसह संभविशा ।।

-Bhavisayatta Kahā

- 1. Published in D. C. P. Series No. 47. Bombay 1918.
- 2. Published by R. K. Samstha, Ratlam 1928.
- 3. Published by J. G. Series, Bhāvnagar.
- 4. Published by Hema Candra Sabhā. Ratlām 1919-series No. 3.

other philosophical works are Yogabindu¹ and Yoga Drasti Samuccaya² which is a valuable synthesis of old Jaina ideas and those of Pātanjali and Vyāsa.

5. MAHEŚVAR SŪRI:

He was also a Rājasthāni Scholar, and wrote Gyāna Pancami Kathā³ in Prākrit which contains 10 stories. He was a 10th century scholar. He also wrote Sanyama Manjari Kathā⁴ in Apabhramsa. It is interesting to find in these books many old folk tales dressed and presented in Jaina Garb. The first work is still unpublished.

SAMSKRIT WRITERS

I. SIDHARSI:

Sidharsi, pupil of Durgāswāmin was a Rājasthānī writer belonging to Mewār. He completed commentary on Updesamālā and Upmiti Bhava Prapanca Kathā⁵ at Bhilla Māla in the year 905 A.D. It is as much a work of Philosophy as of poetry and is one of the finest allegories. His other work is Candra Kevali Carita. It was composed in the year 917 A.D. i. e. 12 years after Upmiti Bhava Prapanca Kathā.

2. Āśādhar:

Originally Āśādhar was a Rējasthānī scholar and Mandalgarh was his birth place⁶. But due to continuous attacks of Śhahabuddin Gauri, he was compelled to leave Rājasthān and settled at Dhārā Nagarī. He was one of the greatest.

- 1. Published in J.D.P.S. Series, Bhavnagar, 1911.
- 2. Published in D.C.P. Series No, 12. Bombay 1913.
- 3. Brahad Gyan Bhandar, Jaisalmer.
- 4. Published in the G.O.S. in the year 1918.
- 5. Published in D.L.P. Series No. 46, Bombay.
- 6. श्रीमानस्ति सपादलक्षविषयः शाकम्मरीभूष्ण स्तत्र श्रीरितिधाममण्डलकरं नामान्ति दुर्गमहन् । श्रीरत्न्यामुदपादि तत्र विमलव्याघ्रे खालान्वया च्छीसल्लक्षणतो जिनेन्द्रसमयश्रद्धालुराशात्ररः ॥१॥

scholars of his time and wrote several works on various subjects. He wrote commentary on Aṣṭānga Hridaya, Kāvyālankār and Amar Koṣa but unfortunately these are not available at present in any of the Jaina Bhanḍārs in Rājasthān. Ādhyātma Rahasya which is considered to be his lost work was discovered in Bhaṭṭārkiya Śāstra Bhanḍār Ājmer. This is a very good work in Saṁskrit dealing with Ādhyātma. Similarly Saṁskrit commentary on Āradhanāsāra written by him has been discovered in the Śāstra Bhanḍār of Jobner temple. It is a work of the 13th century written for his pupil Nayancandra. His other works are Sāgara Dharmāmrita, Angāra Dharmāmrita, Pratiṣṭhā Pāṭha, Jinasahasranāma Stotra. Cemmentary written by him on Bhopāl Caturvinśatika has also been recently discovered in Śāstra Bhanḍār, Jain temple. Pāṭodī, Jaipur. All the works written by him are very popular.

3. BHATTĀRAKA SAKAL KĪRTI:-

Sakal Kīrti was one of the most famous Bhaṭṭāraka of his time. He was born in Samvat 1443 (1386 A.D.) at Pāṭan. His name was Pūna Singh or Pūran Singh². He was married at the age of 14 and took to the life of a Jaina monk in the year 1425 A.D.³ when he was 39 years old from Bhaṭṭāraka Padmanandi. He established a seat of Bhaṭṭāraka at Dūngarpur in the 1435⁴ and became the first Bhaṭṭāraka. He was a great scholar of Samskrit and Hindi and wrote several works

-Sakal Kīrti Rāsa

 चउदय व्यासीय संवति कुलदीपक नरपाल संघपति । डूगरपुरि दीक्षा महोछव तीिगा कीया ए ।।३।।

—Sakal Kīrti Rāsa

3. श्री सकलकीरित सहगुरि सुकरि दीघी दीक्षा श्रागंदभरि । जयजयकार सयिल सचराचरूए गण्धर ।।४।। चउदिसवाणिविहऊ लिट नरपाल पुरिगलीपि । कोटि पटाचारिज पद संस्थापिया ए गग्। ।।४।।

-Sakal Kīrti Rāsa

^{1.} हरपी सुग्गिय सुवाग्गि पालह, ग्रन्य ऊग्रिर सुयर । चौऊदित्रताल प्रमाग्गि पूरइ, दिन पुत्र जनमीउ ॥१४॥ सुमवेला ग्रवलोकि जनम, पुत्री ज्योति लखीय । मेलवि सजन सहू कोई पूनशंघ नाम ठवीय ॥१४॥

^{4.} Published from Vīra Sevā Mandir, Delhi.

in both the languages. Some of the works are Ādipurāņa, Uttarpurāņa, Purāņsāra, Šāntipurāņa, Pārsva Purāņa, Mahāvīra Purāņa, Mallinātha Purāņa. Yaśodhara Carita, Dhanyakumār Carita, Sukumal Carita, Solah Kēraņ Pūjā, Sukti-Muktāvali and Karma Vipāka¹.

He travelled throughout Udaipur, Düngarpur and Gujarāt. He led a Jaina Sangh to Girnār and performed a great Pratisthā ceremoney in Junāgarh².

4. BHAŢŢĀRAKA BHUWN KIRTI:

He was a pupil of Bhatṭāraka Sakal Kīrti and stayed as Bhatṭāraka at Dūngarpur for 19 years (1451 to 1470 A. D). He was a great scholar and wrote several works in Hindī. Some of his famous works are Jīwandhar Rāsa³, Jambu Swāmi Rāsa⁴, Rātri Bhojan Varjan Rēsa⁵ Kalāvati Carita⁶. Cintāmaṇi Pārswanātha Stotra². He was a great spiritual leader of his time and travelled in most of the parts of Rājasthān. The works written by him are still unpublished.

- ग्रादिपुराग उत्तरपुराग शांति-पास-वर्द्ध मान-मिल्ल-चरित्र ।
 ग्रादि यशांघर घन्यकुमार सुकुमाल सुदर्शन चरित्र ।।२७॥
 पंचपरमेप्टी गंधकुटीय ग्रण्टानिका गग्गधर भेय ।
 सोलहकारग पूजाविधि गुरिए सिवप्रगट प्रकासिया तेय ।।२८॥
 मुक्तिमुक्ताविल कमिवपाक गुरि रचीय डाईग परि विविध परिग्रंथ ।
 भरह संगीत पिगंल निपुग्गमुरू गुरूउ श्री सकलकीरित निग्रंथ ।।२६॥
- जनगढ गुरू उपदेसिहं सरिवर वंघ ग्रतिसव ।
 निव ठाकर ग्रदराज्य स्यंघ राजि प्रासाद मांडीउए ।।२०॥
 मंडिलक राड बहू मानीउ देश वदिशि ज व्यागिय ।
 पीतनमङ ग्रादिनाथ थिर थापीया ए ।।२१॥
- 3. Granth Bhandar Terapanthi Jaina Temple, Jaipur.
- J. Ibid.
- 5. Ibid.
- 6. Grantha Bhandar Tholia Jaina Temple, Jaipur.
- 7. Ibid.

5. BRAHMA JINDĀSA:

He was the younger brother and pupil of Bhaṭṭāraka Sakal Kīrti. Ḥe refers in most of his works to the name of Bhaṭṭāraka Bhuwan Kīrti with great respect. He lived with him for a long time. He also mentions the name of his Guru in most of his works. Dūngrpur seems to have remained the main centre of his literary activities. He was a good scholar of Saṃskrit, Hindī and Gujraṭī. He wrote more than 50 works both in Saṃskrit and Hindī. Harivanśa Purāṇa, Padam Purāṇa, Jāmbū Swāmi Caritra, Vrat Kathā Koṣa, Ādinātha Purāṇa, Śrenika Caritra, and Yaśodhar Carita, are some of his Saṃakrit works which are read with great interest by the Jainas. Hanumat Rāṣa,¹ Holi Rāṣa, Karma Vipāk Rāṣa, Jambu Swāmi Rāṣa, Ārādhanā Rīṣa, Srīpāla Rāṣa, Sudarśan Rāṣa, Nāgakumār Rāṣa, are some of his Hindi works, which are also read by Jainas with great interest and as such they are in several Grantha Bhandārs of Rājasthān, and at Āmer Śāstra Bhandār and Udaipur Śāstra Bhandārs in particular.

6. BHAŢŢĀRAKA GYĀNA BHUŞAŅA:

He was also a great Samskrit and Hindī scholar, and was the 4th in Bhaṭṭāraka line. He sat on the Bhaṭṭārka Gādī in the year 1475 A.D. after that he left that seat and devoted his time to the writing of works. He travelled in Mewār and various other parts of Rājasthān and preached to the public. He was greatly respected by sevral rulers of Rājasthān, and Gujrāt. He wrote works such as Tattva Gyāna Tarangani, Siddhānt Sār (Bhāṣya) Ādīsvar Phāga and commentary on Nemi Niiwan Kāvya. He completed Tattva Gyāna Tarangini in the year 1503 A.D. Ādīsvar Phāga describes the life of Sri Ādinātha and runs in both, samskrit and Hindī. Prākrit commentary on Gomaṭṭasār was also got written by him in the year 1503. At present it is available in the Śāstra Bhanḍār of Mozmābād.

7. PANDIT RĀJ MALL:

Pandit Rājmall was a learned scholar of Samskrit and Hindi. He belonged to Bairāth, an old town of Rējasthān 70 miles from Jaipur on Jaipur-Delhi Road.

-Hanumat Rāsa

श्रीसकलकीरित गुरू प्रग्रामीनि भवनकीित भवतार ।
 ब्रह्मिजिग्रदास एग्गी परिमिग्रा, पढंता पुन्य अपार ॥७२७॥

He was a scholar of 16th century and wrote Lāti Samhita² (1584 A.D.), Pancādhyāyī, Jambu Swami Carita in Samskrit. Lātī Samhitā² was composed for Sāhu Phaman at Bairāth, in the year 1584 A.D. He also translated into Hindī prose Samayasār a famous work of Prakrit language written by Ācārya Kunda Kunda. This work is an important one from linguistic point of view and is regarded as the first big work in Hindi literature. For some time he lived in Āgrā and had an occasion to see Emperor Akbar and was very much influenced by his liberal views on religion. He has praised Akbar's reign in Jambuswami Carita.

8. GYĀNA KĪRTI:

He was the pupil of Vādibhuṣana. He wrote Yaṣodhar Carita³ on the request of Nānū Godhā who was the Prime Minister of Mahār. jā Mānsingh of Āmer. He was a scholar of 16th century and completed his work in the year 1602 A.D. One manuscript of the work exists in Āmer Śāstra Bhandār, Jaipur. The work is still unpublished.

9. BHAŢŢĀRAKA ŚUBḤA CANDRA:

Bhattāraka Subha Candra was in the line of Bhattāraka Sakal Kīrti. He was the pupil of Bhattāraka Vijay Kīrti and was a great Samskrit scholar of the 16th century. He held the titles of "Trividha Vidyādhar" and "Ṣaṭ bhāṣā kavicakravarti". He studied Philosophy, Grammar, Lexicography and Alankārs and travelled in various parts of India such as Karnāṭak, Gujrāt, Mālwā, and Rājasthān. He wrote more than 30 works in samskrit and Hindī, out of which Candraprabhā Carita,

तत्स्नुः श्रियमुद्वहत् मुजबलादेकातपत्रो मुवि,
 श्रीमत्साहिरकव्वरो वरमितः साम्राज्यराजद्वपुः ।
 तेजः पुंजमयो ज्वलज्ज्वलनज ज्वाता करालनलः ।
 सर्वादीन् दहितस्म निर्देषमना, उन्मूल्यमूलादिव ॥११॥

थ. तत्राद्यस्य वरो मुतो वरगुणो न्योताह्वसंवाविषो । येनंतिज्जनमन्दिरं स्फुटिमिह प्रोतुंगमत्युद्मृतं । वैराटनगरे निधाय विधिवत्पूजाण्च वहवयः कृतः । अत्रामुत्र मुखप्रदः स्वयणसः स्तंमसमारोपितः ।।

⁻Lati Samhita p. 73

^{3.} इति श्रीयगोधरमहाराजचरित्रे मट्टारकश्रीवादिभूपगाशिष्याचार्य श्रीज्ञानकीतिविरिचते राजाधिराजमहाराजमानिसहप्रधानसाहश्रीतानूनामांकिते मट्टारकश्री ग्रमयरुच्यादिदीक्षाग्रहगा स्वर्गावित्राष्ट्रिवर्गाने। नाम नवम: संग: ।

Jivandhar Carita are his famous works. The manuscripts of his works are available in several Grantha Bhandars of Rājasthān. The main centres where he wrote his works were Düngarpur and Sāgwāra. He completed Pāndava Purāna in Sāgwāra in the year 1551 A.D. A compelete account of him has been given in Pāndava Purāna. He remained Bhattāraka from the year 1516 to 1556 A.D.

10. BHAŢŢĀRAKA SOMASEN:

He was also a Rājasthānī scholar and lived in Bairāth, an old town of Rājasthān. He wrote Padma Purāṇa in the year 1602 A.D. in Samskrit. Somasen was the pupil of Ācārya Guṇabhadra. His work is very popular and available in various Brandārs of Rājasthān. This is a short form of Jaina Rāmāyaṇa.

11. JAGANNĀTHA:

He was the pupil of Bhattāraka Narendra Kīrti who lived in Todārāisingh known by the name of Takśak Garh¹. Jagannath was a Jaina Khandelwal by caste and was son of Śresthi Pom Rāja. Six works written by him have been discovered so far which are Swetāmbar Parājaya, Caturvinsati, Sandhan Svopadam Ṭīkā, Sukh Nīdhān, Sukhena Carita, Śiva Sandhan Nāma. He was a scholar of 17th–18th century. His brother Vadi-Rāja was also a good scholar of Samskrit. He wrote Samskrit commetary on Vāgbhaṭṭālankār called Kavi Candrikā in Samwat 1729 i. e. 1672 A.D. Gyān Locana Stotra was also composed by him and is preserved in the Śāstra Bhandār of Pāṭodi Temple. All the works are unpublished so far.

HINDĪ WRITERS

1. PADMA NĀBH:

Padmanābh was a poet of the 15th century and belonged to the Cittor state. Sanghapati Dungar requested him to compose a Bāvani dealing with various

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^{2.} वत्से नेत्रपडश्वसोम १७६२ निहिते ज्येष्ठे च मासेनघे । शुश्रे पक्ष इति त्रयोदशक्ति श्रीतक्षकाख्ये पुरे । नेमिस्वामिगृहे व्यलीलिखदिदं देवागमालंकृते । पुस्तं पूज्यनरेन्द्रकीतिसुगुरोः श्री जगन्नाथवटुः ।।

topics and on his request he completed the Bāvani in the year 1486 A.D. It is in Rajasthānī fully influenced by Apabhramśa. This is his only work which has been discovered so far. Two manuscripts of the work have been searched out, of which one is in the Abhaya Granthālaya, Bīkāner and the other one is in the Grantha Bhandār of Tholiā Jaina temple, Jaipur. The whole Bāvani is in Chaappaya metre. Some of the verses are of High standard composed in a strong and good literary style.

2. CHĪHALA:

He was Rājasthāni poet of 15th and 16th Century. The place where the poet was born and lived is not known so far but it is certain that the poet was a Rājasthānī scholar¹ as his work are generally preserved in the Grantha Bhanḍārs of Rājasthān. He was Agarwāl Jaina and his father's name was Nāthū. Upto this time five small works written by him have been discovered. Pānca Sahelī Gīta was composed in the year 1517 A. D.². His other works are Panthi Gīta, Bāwanī and two small Gīta called Udar Gīta and Velī. "Bāwānī" which was completed in the year 1524 A. D.³ has been discovered recently in the Śāstra Bhanḍār of Tholia Jaina temple, Jaipur. Ācārya Rāma Candrā Śukla⁴ and Dr. Rām Kumar Varma⁵ have also wrote a few lines about the poet, but they had given only the description of Panca Sahelī Gīta. All his works are not published so far. His works though small one are full of literary merits. All his works are written in Rajasthanī language. Two verses of Panca Sahelī Gīta are as follows:—

- 1. Rājasthanī Bhāśa aur Sāhitya p. 149-50.
- पनरेमे पीचोतरे, पूनम फागुग् मास ।
 पंचमहैली वरग्रवी, कवि छीहल परगास ।।
- अ. चटरासी श्रागलइ सइ जु पंद्रह संबद्धर ।

 मृत्रल पत्थ श्रष्टमी मास कातिग गुरु वासर ।।

 हृदय उपनी बृद्धि नाम श्रीगुरूकों लीन्हड ।

 मारद तरगड पसाइ कवित्त संपूरगा कीन्हड ।।

 नात्हिंग वंसि नाथ सुतनु श्रगरवाल कुल प्रगट रवि ।

 वावनी वसुवा विस्तरी कवि कंकगा छीहल कवि ।।
- 4. Hindi Sähitya kā Itihāsz-Samwat 2007 p. 193.
- 5. Hindī Sāhitya ka Ālocanātmak Itihāsa p. 324-448.

मीठे मन के भावते, कीया सरस वखारा।

ग्रा जाराया मूरिख हसइ, रीभइ चतुर सुजांगा ।।६७।।
संवत पनर पचुहुत्तरह, पूनिम फागुरा मास।

पंच सहेली वररावी, कवि छीहल परगास ।।६८।।

3. ȚAAKKURSĪ:

Thakkursī was a Rājasthānī scholar of 15th century. His father Dhelha was also a Hindi poet, In most of his works he quotes himsslf as the son of Poet Dhelha. In Meghamālā Vrata Kathā he describes the City of Cātsu where he completed the work. He was Khandelwāla Jaina and Pahādya was his Gotra. His works are available in several Bhandārs of Rājasthān which shows his popularity. Nine works written hy him have been found so far in the Grantha Bhandārs. They are (1) Pārśwanātha Sakuna Sattavīsi (1521 A. D.) (2) Meghamāla Vrata Kathā (1523 A. D.), (3) Kripaṇa Carita (1523 A. D.), (4) Śila Battīsi 1, (1528 A. D.) (5) Pancendriya Veli 2, (1528 A. D.), (6) Guṇaveli, (7) Nemi Rājamati Veli, (8) Cintāmaṇi Jayamāla and (9) Sīmandhara Stavan. Besides these there are also some Padas which are preserved in the Guṭa kās.

4. BRAHMA VŪCARĀJA:

Vūcarāja was a great Rājasthānī poet of the 15th and 16th century. Being a Jaina saint he used to travel from one place to another. He wrote several works in Rājasthanī His first work was Mayana¹-JuJha which was completed by him in Samwat 1584 (1527 A.D.). Recently three works namely Santoṣa Jayamala (1534 A.D.),

- किव घेल्ह सुतन गुरा ठावो, जिंग प्रगट ठकुरसी नावो ।
 तौ वेलि सरस गुरागाया, चित चतुर मुरिख समकाया ।।
 - -Pancendriya Veli.
- 2. संवत् पंद्रसैर पिच्यास्यो, तेरिस सुदि कातिग मासे । इ पांच इंद्री विस राखै, सौ हरत परत सुख चाखै।।
- हाथु व साह महत्ति महते, पहाचन्द गुरू उवएसंते ।
 परादह सइजि असीतं अग्गल, श्रावरा मास छठिखिय मंगल ।।
- राह विवकम तराउ संवतु, नवासिय न पनरसै।
 सवदरुति ग्रासु वखाराउं, तिथि पडिया सुम लग्नसु।।

Bāraha Bhāvanā and Cetana Pudgal Dhamāla and some Padas have been discovered in the Grantha Bhandārs of Būndī and Ajmer. There is a manuscript of Samayaktva Kaumudi which was presented to him at Campāvati., an old name of Cātasu in the year 1525 A. D.

5. CHĪTARA ŢHOLIĀ:

Chītara Tholiā was born in Mozamābād an old town of Rājasthān, 40 miles from Jaipur City in the West. One work, 'Holī kī Kathā' has been discovered so far. This was completed in Samwat 1660² (1603 A.D.) in Mozamābād when Rāja Mānsingh (1560–1615 A.D.) was the Ruler of Āmer. The work deals with a story of Holi according to the Jaina Mythology. The work is still unpublished.

6. VIDYĀ BHŪSANA:

He was a Hindī poet of 16th century. He was the pupil of Viśva Sena who had been in Rāmasena line. He belonged to Bhattāpurā caste. He completed his work Bhaviśya Datta Rāsa in Samwat 1600 (1543 A. D.) in a temple of Pārsvanītha at Sojat³ an old town in Pāli District of Rajasthan. The Rāsa is in Rājasthānī influenced by Gujarati. It contains 472 verses composed in various metres.

BRAHMA RĀYMALL:

Brahma Rāymalla was a great Hindī poet of 16th century. He was the pupil of Bhattāraka Ananta Kirti. He was was a Rājasthānī poet put his original

- 1. Amer Sastra Bhandar, Jaipur Prasasti Sangrah p. 44
- श्र. सीलासे साठे शुम वर्ष, फाल्गुन शुवल पूर्णिमा हर्ष।
 सोहै मौजावाद निवास, पूजै मन की सगली आस ।।
 सोहै राजा मांन को राज, जिहि बांघी पूरवलग पाज।
 सुखी सर्वे नगर में लोग, दान पुण्य जानै सहु भोग।
 इहि विधि कलयुग में दिन रात, जाएँ नहीं दुख: की जाति।
 छीतर ठोल्यो बीनती करैं, हिवडा मांहि जिनवाणी घरे।।
- महानयर सौजिता ठाम त्यामु पास जिनवरनु वाम ।
 महुनुरा त्रांति ग्रमिराम, नित नित करि वर्मना काम ॥६०॥
 मंत्रत् सौलिम श्रावणमास, ग्रुक्ल पंचम दिन उल्हास ।
 किंहि विद्यामूषण सुरीण, रास ए नदुं कोडि वरीस ॥६१॥

birth place has not been mentioned in any of his works. He completed his Pradyumna Rāso at Ranthambhore fort (1568 A. D.) and Bhavisya-Datta-Kathā at Sāngāner (1576 A. D.). His other works are Hanumat Rāsa (1559 A. D.), Sudarsana Raso (1562 A. D.), Nemīsvara Rāsa and Nirdoṣa Sapatmi Vrata Kathā. All the works are very popular and therefore their manuscripts are available in several Bhandāars of Rajasthan. In his Bhaviṣya-Datta-Kathā, he describes himself and the City of Sāngāner as follows:—

मूलसंघ शारद शुभ गछि,छोडी चार कपाय निरमछि।

प्रमंतकीति मुनि गुराह निधान, तानु तने सिख कीयो चलोए।।

प्रह्म रायमल थोडि नुधि, श्ररथ पद की न लहे सुधि।

देशी मित दोने श्रीकास, वत पञ्चमी को कीयौ परकास।।

लो इह कथा सुएों दे कान, कान निहित पहुँचे निरवान।

सौलहमैं तैतीमा मार, कातिक सुदी चौदिस सिनवार।

स्वाति नक्षत्र मिद्धि शुभ जोग, पीडा न व्यापै न रोग।

देस दृंडाहड सोना घरगी, पुजै तहां श्रिल मरा तसी।

निमंज तने नदी बहु फिरे मुख से बसै वहु सांगानेरि।

चहुँ दिशि वरग्या मला बाजार, मरे पटोला मोतीहार।

पत्जा राजै भगवंतदास, राजवंवर सेवहि वहु तास।

परजा लोग सुख सुख वसै, दुखी दिलदी पुरवै श्रास।

श्रावक लोग वसै धनदंत, पूरा करिह जयित श्ररहंत।

उपरा छपरी वैर न काम, जिहि श्रिहिमंद सुर्ग सुख वास।

All the works written by him are still unpublished.

8. ÄNANDAGHAN:

He was a Rājasthānī Jaina saint and is regarded as one of the best spiritual poets amongst the Jaina scholars of both Digambara and Swetāmbara. Ānandghan was a great scholar and his works Ānandghan Caubīsī and Ānandghan Bahottari are considered to be the works of high siandard in Rājasthānī and Hīndī. It is a pity that still a complete description about Ānandghan has not so far been published. According to some scholar he was born in the year 1603 A.D. and died at the age

of 70 in 1673 A.D. His original name was Lābhānanda¹. His two works mentioned above are the collections of several small works.

9. BRAHMA KAPŪRA CANDA:

Brahma Kapūra Canda hailed from Ānandapur town where Jaswant Singh Rāthore was the Ruler. He describes himself as the pupil of Muni Guṇa Candra pupil of Yaśah Kīrti in his work Pārśwanātha Rāso. Ānandapur was at that time a prosperous town where people of all caste and creed led a happy life. The poet completed his work in the year 1640 A.D. at Pārśwanātha temple. Several Hindī Padas and Vinatis written by the poet are also available in the Gutakas of the Grantha Bhandārs.

तासु तरण सिपि तसु पंडित कपूर जी चन्द। कीयो रास चिति धरिवि ग्रानंद। जिरागुरा वह मुभ ग्रल्प जो मति। गति विवि देख्या जी शास्त्र पूरागा। को मति हसै। देखि व्यजन तैसी जी विधि में कीयो जी बखारा।।१६१।। सोलासै सत्तागावै मासि वैसाखि। पंचमी तिथि सुम उजल पाखि । ग्राद्रा भलो । नाम नक्षत्र वृहस्पति ग्रविक प्रधान । गुस कियो वामा मृत त्या। स्वामी जी पारमनाथ के थान ॥१६२॥ श्रहो देन को राजा जी जाति राठोड । सकलजी : छत्री. याकै : सिरि : मांड : 1 :::: जसवंत्रसिघ नाम तम् तगा ञ्चानंदपूर नगर प्रवान । पीगा **छत्ती**स लीला करें। मोभ जो जैसे हो इन्द्र विमान ।।१६३।।

⁻Pārsvanātha Rāso

^{1.} Ardha Kathānak edited by Nāthū Rām Premi; p. 132

10. HEMARĀJA II:

There were two scholars having the same name and of the same 17th century. The first Hemarāja¹ lived at Āgrā who wrote more than 10 works both in Hindī prose and poetry. Hemrāja II was a Rājasthānī poet. His only work of Dohāśatak has been recently discovered in the Grantha Bhandār of Jaina Tholiā Temple, Jaipur. According to the description given in the Dohāśatak he was born in Sāngāner but began to live at Kāmā² after some time. The work contains 101 Dohās. It is a literary work full of religious and moral teachings. It was completed in the year 1668 A.D. at Kāmāgarh.

11. HARŞA KĪRTI:

Harşa Kīrti was a Rājasthānī Scholar of the 17th century. He wrote several works in Hindī. The poet completed his Caturgati Veli in the year 1626 A.D. There are about 30 works which were written by him. The names of the works are Chahaleśyā Kavitta, Pancamagati Veli, Karma Hindolanā, Sīmandhar ki Jakadi, Neminātha Rājamati Gīta, Nemiśvara Gīta and Morḍā. He also wrote several Padas in Ḥindi which are lying scattered in the various Guṭkās of Jaina Grantha Bhandārs.

12. BRAHMA GYĀNA SĀGARA:

Brahma Gyāna Sāgara was pupil of Bhaṭṭāraka Śrī Bhūṣaṇa. He was a scholar of both Hindī and Samskrit. He wrote several works in Hindī, specially short stories which are more than 40 in number. Thirty two stories are in the collection of

2. उपजो सांगानेरि की, ग्रव कांमांगढ वास ।

यहां 'हेम' दोहा रचे स्वपर वृद्धि परकास ।।६८।।

कामांगढ सुवस जहां, कीरतिसिंह नरेस ।

ग्रपने खडग वलविस किवे, दुर्जन जितेक देस ।।६६।।

सतरहसै पच्चीसकी, बरतें संवत् सार ।

कातिक सुदी तिथि पंचमी, पूरन भयो विचार ।।१००।।

एक ग्रागरे एकसी कीये दोहा छंद ।

जो हित दे वांचे पढ़ै, ता उरि वढे ग्रानन्द ।।१०१।।

^{1.} हेमराज पंडित वसै, तिसी आगरे ठाइं। गरग गोत्र गून आगरो, सब पूजै जिस पाइं।।

⁻Pāndava Purāņa of Bulākīdāsa.

a Guțakā of Țholiā Jaina temple, Jaipur. In the Dasalaksana Vratkathā he mentioned his teacher's name as follows:—

मट्टारक श्रीभूषणा वीर, सकलजास्त्र पूरन गंभीर । तस पद प्रणामी वोले सार, ब्रह्म ज्ञानसागर सुविचार ।।

Bhaṭṭāraka Srī Bhūṣaṇa, the teacher of Brahma Gyāna Sāgara completed Pānḍava Purāṇa in the year 1600 A. D, so the time of his pupil is evidently 17th century. Some of the stories written by him are as follows:—

Ratnatraya Vrata Kathā, Ananta Vrata Kathā, Srāvaņ Dvādaśi Vrat Kathā, Rohiņi Vrat Kathā, Puṣpānjali Vrat Kathā, Rakśābandhan Kathā, Kokilā Pancami Kathā, Candana Ṣaṣti Vrata Kathā,

13. JODHRĀJA GODIKĀ:

Jodhrāja Godikā was a Rējasthānī scholar of the 17th century. He lived in Sāngāner (Jaipur). His father Amar Cand Godikā was wealthy man famous throughout the country for his business. He was a great Ḥindī writer of his time. The following are his main works:—

| | | Written in the year |
|----|------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. | Kathā Koşa | 1665 A.D. |
| 2. | Dharma Sarovara | 1667 " |
| 3. | Samyaktva Kaumudi | 1667 " |
| 4. | Pravacanasāra Bhāṣā | 1667 ,, |
| 5. | Pritinkar Carita Bhāṣā | 1664 " |
| 6. | Bhāva Dīpikā | Not known |

Except the last work all other works are in Hindi poetry. He studied with Pandit Hari Subha a Samskrit Scholar. In his Samyaktva Kaumudi, there are some autobiographical verses:—

सांगानेर मुथान में, देश ढूंढाहडि सार।
ता सम नहीं की ग्रीर पुर, देखे सहर हजार।।
ग्रमर पूत जिनवर नगत, जोघराज किव नाम।
वासी सांगानेरि को करी कथा सुखवाम।।

धर्मदास को पूत लघु, जाित लुहाड्यो जोय ।

नाम कल्यागां सु जाांनेये, किंव को मामो सोय ।।

ताक पिढिंव कारने, कियो ग्रन्थ यह जोध ।

नाम समिकत कोमुदी, दायक केंवल वोध ।।

इहै समिकत कोमुदी, जो नर पढ सुभाय ।

सो सुर नर सुख पाय कै, हनो करिम सिव जाय ।।

चौपाई

संवत् सत्रासं चोबीस, फागन वुदि तेरस शुभ दीस। शुक्रवार सो पूरन भई, इहै कथा समकित गुन ठई।।

His works were quite popular therefore manuscript copies of several of them are available in various Bhandars of Jaipur. All the works are unpublished so far.

14. KIŚANA SINGHA:

He was born in Rampura, a village in Sawāimādhopur District but later on he settled at Sāngāner which was the centre of literary activity in the 17th and 18th century. His father's name was Kalyāṇa who was famous by the title of Sangahi. Kiśana Singha was the elder son and Ānand Singha was the younger one of his father. He wrote more than 20 works in Hindī poetry out of which Puṇyāsrava Kathā Koṣa is very much popular the description of the poet given in the Bhadrabāhu Carita is as follows:—

खंडेलीवालं वैस विसालं नागरचालं देससियं।

रामापुरवासं देविनवासं धर्मप्रकासं प्रकटिकयं।

संगहीं कत्याएां सब गुराजारां, गौत्र पाटगी सुजसिलयं।

पूजो जिनरायं श्रुत गुरूपायं, नमें सकित निज दानिदयं।

तसु सुत दुव एवं गुरूमुखदेवं लहुरी श्रागांदिसघ सुगाँ।

सुखदेव सुनंदन जिन पद दंदन, थान मान किसनेस सुगाँ।

The names of his other works are Bāvanī (1706 A.D), Rātri Bhojan Kathā (1716 A.D), Ekāvalivratkathā, Guru Bhakti Gīta, Cetan Lorī, Caubīsa Dandaka, Jina Bhakti Gīta, Ņamokāra Rāsa, Nirvāna Kānda Bhāṣa, Labdhi Vidhāna Kathā etc. Hindī Padas written by him are also available in the various Guṭakās preserved in the Grantha Bhandārs.

15. SEWĀ RĀMA PĀŢNĪ:

Sewā Rāma Pāṭnī was born in Dausa but afterwards settled down in Dīgacity of fountains-in the Bharatpur State. His father's name was Māyā Rāma. He was a Khandelwal and Pātnī was his Gotrā. In V.S. 1850 (1793 A.D.) he completed Hindī translation of Mallinātha Carita.¹ Originally it was written in Samskrit by Sakal Kīrti. A manuscript written in the same year in which it was composed has been found in the Śāstra Bhandār of Dīga. Sewā Rāma Pātnī was also a good copyist and several manuscripts written by him are preserved in Granth Bhandārs of Kīmā. Bharatpur and Dīga. The work is still unpublished.

16. JAI CANDA CHĀBRĀ:

Jai Canda Chābrā was a famous Rājasthānī scholar. He was born in Samwat 1795 (1738 A. D.) at Phāgī, a town 24 miles south of Jaipur. He began writing in 1804 A. D. and his last work seems to have been completed in 1817 A. D. He wrote more than 15 works in Dhūndhārī language which is a part of Rājasthānī. All the works written by him are not original but translations from Samskrit and Prākrit works. His works are very popular and their circulation is also wide. In the Bhandārs of Jaipur all the works written by him are found. Some of the original copies written by his own hand are at present placed in the Śāstra Bhandār of Jaina temple Badā Mandir, Jaipur.

Names of the works written by him are as follows:-

- (1) Tattwartha Sūtra Bhaṣā (1859)
- (2) Dravya Sangraha Bhāṣā (1863)
- (3) Sarwārtha Siddhi Bhāṣā (1861)
- (4) Aṣṭa Pāhuda Bhāṣā (1867)
- (5) Samayasāra Bhāṣā (1864)
- (6) Swāmi Kārtikeyanu Preksā (1863)
- (7) Āptamīmansa Bhāṣā (1867)
- 1. मायाचन्द को नन्दन जानि, गीत पाटग्री सुन्व की खानि ।
 नेवाराम नाम ही सही, भाषा किव को जानो इही ।।
 श्रद्धपत्रुद्धि मेरी ग्रति घर्गी, किवजन सो विनित इह भग्री।
 भून चुक जो लेहु सुधारि, इहि ग्ररण मेरी ग्रविधारि ।।
 संबन् श्रद्धादण णत जानि, ग्रीर पत्रास ग्रियक ही मानि ।
 भादों माम प्रथम पक्षि माहि, पांचें सोमवार के माहि।।
 तत्र इह ग्रन्थ संपूर्ण कीयो, किव जन मन वांछित फल लियो।

- (8) Dewāgāma Stotra Bhāṣā (1866)
- (9) Parikśa Mukha Bhāṣā (1863)
- (10) Gyanārņava Bhāṣā (1867)
- and (11) Dhanya Kumāra Carita Bhāṣā etc.

Most of his works have been published.

17. RIŞABHA DĀSA NIGOTIĀ:

He was born in Jaipur in 1783 A. D. His father Sobha Canda Nigotia was a business man. He studied several Jaina works of Prākrit and Samskrit and became a famous scholar. He wrote a Hindī commentary on Mūlācāra, a Prākrit work in 1831 A. D. He was a teacher of various Jaina Scholars. His Hindi translation of Mūlācār has not been published so far.

18. HIRĀ:

He was a Hindī scholar of 18th Century. He lived in Būndī. Only one work written by him has been found so far. It is Nemi Vyāhalo which was completed in the year 1791 A.D. in Būndī, the poet has given a short description of Būndī at the end of the work. The description is as follows:—

साल ग्रठारासे "परमाण, ता पर ग्रडतालीस वलाण। पीस कृष्ण पांचे तिथि ग्राणि, वार वृहस्पित मन में ग्राण ।। ५०।। वूदी को छै महा सुथान, ती में नेम जिनालय जान। ती मध्ये पंडित वर भाय, रहे कवीश्वर उपमा गाय ।। ५१।। ता को नाउ जिनए को दास, महा विचक्षण रहत उदास। सिख हीरी छै ताको नाम, तो कर्या नेम गुण गान। । ५२।।

19. NEMI CANDRA:

Nemi Candra lived in Āmber which was the old capital of Jaipur State. He was the pupil of Bhattāraka Jagat Kīrti and had a good company of scholars amongst which Dūngarsi and Rūpa Cand were famous. He was a Jaina Khandelwāl. His younger brother was Jhagaroo. He composed Neminātha Rāso in Samwat 1769

१. मट्टारक सब उपरें जगकीरती जगजोति ग्रपारतो ।
कीरति चहुँ दिसि विस्तरी, पाँच ग्राचार पाले सुमसारतो ।।२०।।
ताको सिप नेमचन्द, लघु म्राता तसु भगडु जाणितो ।
सेठी गोत पदमावत्या खंडेलवाल तसु वै सब खांगितौ ।।२१।।

i. e. 1712 A. D.: The Rasa is also famous by the name of Harivansa Purāna. The poet has given a good description of Amer at the end of the work. One work of the poet is Prityankara Caupai which is in the Jaina temple of Badhī Canda of Jaipur.

20. KḤUŚĀL CANDA KĀLA:

Khuśāla Canda Kālā originally belonged to Sāngāner but after completion of his education he migrated to Delhi and settled there in Jaisinghpurā. He was a son of Sundar Dāsa. Laxmidāsa² was his teacher. He remembered the name of Bhaṭṭāraka Davendra Kīrti with great respect in his works. Khuśal Canda Kālā¹ was a good scholar of Hindī and he wrote nine works which are available in the various Grantha Bhandārs of Rājasthān. The names of his works are as follows:—

| | (1) | Yasodhara Carita | (1724 A.D.) |
|-----|-----|---------------------|-------------|
| | (2) | Uttar Purāņa | (1742 A.D.) |
| | (3) | Padma Purāņa | (1726 A.D.) |
| | (4) | Ḥarivanśa Purāṇa | (1723 A.D.) |
| | (5) | Kathā Kośa | (1726 A.D.) |
| | (6) | Dhanya Kumār Carita | |
| | (7) | Jambu Swāmi Carita | |
| | (8) | Subhāsitāvali | |
| and | (9) | Pada Sangraha | - |
| | | | |

All works are unpublished.

21. AJAYRĀJA PĀTŅĪ:

Ajayarī ja Pāṭnī was born at Āmer. He was a Hindi and Samskrit scholar of the 18th Century. He wrote more than 20 works in Hindi out of which Ādipurāņa

मनरास गुग्गहत्तरे, सुदि ग्रासीज दसे रिव जांगाती।
 रास रच्यो श्रीनेमि को, बुद्धि सारु में कीयी वलांगाती।।

ऐसे निखमीदास दिंग में कुछ पड्यो सुग्यान, पटन कीयों मी बुध्य लों, वे तो ग्यान निधान। तिनहों के उपदेश तें, मापा सार बनाय, श्रुतसागर ब्रह्मचार को, मुम अनुसार सुनाय ।।

अरेर मुणी श्रांग मन लाय, में सुन्दर को नंद सुमाय। सिय तिया श्रमिया मम माय, ताहि कृंखि में उपजू श्राय। चंद खूजाल कहै नव लोक, माया कीनी सुणत श्रसोक।

Bhāṣa (1740 A.D.), Neminātha Carita (1735 A.D.) Carkhā Caupai, Katha Battīsī, Yasodhara Caupai (1735 A.D.) are important. He gave a good description of Āmer in his works. His main centre of literary activity was Neminātha temple of Āmer. The description of himself and Āmer in the Neminātha Carita is as follows:—

श्रजयराज इह कीयो वखाएा, राज सवाई जयसिंह जाएा। श्रंवावती सहरे श्रुम थान, जिन मन्दिर जिम देव विमान। नीर निवाएा सौहैं वन राई, बेलि गुलाव चमेली जाई। चंपो मरवो श्रक सेवति, यो हो जाति नानाविधि किती। वहु मेवा वहु विधि सार, वरए।त माहे लागै वार। गढ मन्दिर कछु कहयो न जाइ, सुखिया लोग वसै श्रधिकाइ। तामै जिन मन्दिर इक सार, तहां विराजै श्री नेमिकुमार। स्याम मूर्ति सोभा श्रति घर्णो, ताकी वोपमा जाइ न गएणी।

All his works are still unpublished.

22. MAHĀ PANDIT TODAR MALA:

Pandit Ţoḍar Mala was one of the most famous Jaina Ḥindī Scholars of the 18th Century. He was a genius and before be was 26, he translated several voluminous works in Rājasthānī prose from Prākrit. He was born in Jaipur. His father was Devidās Khandelwāl and mother Rāmbhādevi. His son Gumāni Rāma was also a good scholar. He had a good spiritual knowledge and had command on grammar, philosophy and Jaina religion. He used to be surrounded by scholars and his great respect amongst the Jainas is due to his translation of great Prākrit works which were not understandable to common people at that time. He translated the following works in Rājasthānī prose:—

- (i) Gomattasāra Jīva Kānda
- (ii) Gomattasāra Karma Kānda
- (iii) Labdhisāra
- (iv) Kśapaņāsāra
- (v) Ātmānuśāsana
- (vi) Trilokasāra
- and (vii) Puruşārthasidhyupāya (This was completed by Daulat Rāma Kāslīwāl later on).

He also wrote Moksamārga Prakāsaka which is a good book on Jaina religion. His time of writing the works is from the year 1754 to 1765 A.D. All his works have been published. One example of his Rājasthānī prose is follows:—

मला होनहार है तातैं जिस जीव के ऐसे विचार आवे मैं कौन हूँ, मेरा कहा सरूप है। अर कहां तें आकर यहां जन्म धार्या है और मर कर कहां जाऊंगा। यह चरित्र कैसे विन रह्या है। ए मेरे माव हो हैं, तिनका का फल लागेगा। जीव दुखी होय रह्या है सो दु:ख दूरि होने का कहा उपाय है।

23. ŚRUTA SĀGAR:

He was born in Sāngāner, a town 8 miles from Jaipur. He came here from Bairātha, an old twon of Rājasthān. In Śāngāner also the poet did not live for a long time and he again went to Bharatpur where he completed Érutmāla Varņan in Samwat 1821 i. e. 1764 A.D. The work is still unpublished.

24. BḤĀI RĀIMALL:

He was Jaipurian scholar of the 18th Century and wrote two works. One is Gyānānanda Srāvakācāra and the other is Carcāsāra. He also wrote a fine description of Indradhvaja Pūjā which was performed in Jaipur City in V. S. 1821 (1764 A.D.). From the detailed description made in this work his scholarship may be scen. Scholars of Jaipur City like Pt. Daulat Rāma, Todar Mala and Jai Canda etc., praised him for his knowledge and wisdon in their works.

25. DAULATA RĀMA KĀSLĪWĀL:

Daulata Rāma Kāslīwāl was a prominent Hindī Scholar of the 18th Century. He was born in Baswā, an old town of the Jaipur State. His father was Ānanda Rāma. He came to Jaīpur in search of service and was appointed Vakil of Jaipur State at Udaipur. He stayed there for a long time. He was greatly interested in literary

रायमल्ल साधर्मी एक, जाके घट में स्वपर विवेक ।
 दयावान गुगावन्त मुजान, पर उपगारि परमनिधान ।।

⁻Padam Purāņa by Daulat Rāma.

^{2.} वसुवा का वासी यहै अनुचर जय को जाति।

मंत्री जयसुत को सही जाति महाजन जानि।

जय को राखे रागा यै, रहे जदयपुर माहि।

जगतिमह कृपा करै राखै अपने पाहि।।

⁻Adhyātma Bārahkharī.

work. As a matter of fact he created a very good atmosphere of reading old Purāṇas and other works amongst Jainas. There are about 15 works written by this scholar and amongst them are Punyāśrava Kathā Koṣa (1720 A.D.), Ādipurāṇa Bhāṣā (1716 A.D.), Padam Purāṇa Bhāṣā (1766 A.D.), Harivanśa Purāṇa Bhāṣā (1778 A.D.) and Ādhyatma Bārah Khari (1741 A.D.) are very well known. Except the last work all are in Hindī prose. His Adhyātma Barahkhari is a voluminous work having more than 3000 verses. Only one copy of this big manuscript has been found so far in the Jaina Śāstra Bhanḍār of Terāpanthī Temple, Jaipur. His works like Ādipurāṇa and Punyāṣrava Kathā Koṣã have been published. One example of his Hindī prose is given below:—

तव रावण ने उछलकर इन्द्र के हाथी के मस्तक पर पण घर श्रित शोझता कर गजसारथी को पाद प्रहार तें नीचें डारा । ग्रर इन्द्र को वस्त्र से बांधा ग्रर बहुत दिलासा देकर पकड़ अपने गजपर ले श्राया । श्रर रावण के पुत्र इन्द्रजीत ने इन्द्र का पुत्र जयन्त पकड़ा । श्रपने सुमटों को सींपा श्रीर श्राप इन्द्र के सुमटों पर दौड़ा । तब रावण ने मने किया । हे पुत्र ! श्रव रण से निवृत्त होवो क्योंकि समस्त विजयार्थ के जे निवासी विधाधर तिनका सिर पकड़ लिया है । श्रव समस्त श्रपने श्रपने घर जावो । सुख से जीवो । जालि से चावल लिया तब पराल का कहा काम ! जब रावण ने ऐसा कहा तब इन्द्र-जीत पिता की श्राज्ञा से पीछे बाहुडा । श्रर सर्व देवों की सेना शरद के मेघ के समान भाग गई जैसे पवन कर शरद के मेघ विलय जांय । रावण की सेना में जीत के वादित्र वाजै, ढोल नगारे शंख कांक इत्यादि श्रनेक वादिशों का शब्द भया । इन्द्र को पकड़ा देखकर रावण की सेना श्रित हिंपत मई।

Padma Purāna p. 133.

26. DILĀ RĀMA:

Dilā Rām's forefathers came from Khandelā a part of Jhunjhunu district of Rājasthān. First of all they settled at Toḍarāisingh but on the request of Būndī Darbar they shifted to Būndī. He was a Khandelwāla and Pāṭnī was his Gotra. His father's name was Bahūbli. Dila Rām wrote two works īn Hindī, one is called Dilārāma Vilās and the other is Ātma Dwādasī. The first work was completed in 1768 V.S. It is a good collection of small works of the poet. He has written some description of Bundī at the end of the work, which is as follows:—

वन उपवन चहुं नदंन से मधि गिर मेर नदी गंग सम सोमहि वढावती।

ग्रतुल विलास में.वसत सबै धनपित धन मोंन भोंन रंमातिय गावती।

महल विमान सभा सुर मधि राजै राव,बुद्ध ईद जिम जाके किति लिछ ग्रावती।

ग्रंथिन सुनियत नैनंनि को ग्रिमिलाप पूजत लखै तै ऐसी बूंदी ग्रमरावती।

27. BHAŢŢĀRAKA VIJAY KĪRŢJ:

He belonged to the Bhattarak Gādī of Ajmer. He was a learned scholar and took great interest in copying the manuscripts. There are several manuscripts written by him which are placed in the Jaina Grantha Bhandār of Ajmer. He wrote one work called Karnāmrata Purāṇa in St. 1826 (1769 A.D.). This is a good work of Hindī literature. Upto the time of Vijay Kīrti, the Jaina Śāstra Bhandār of Ajmer continued to be a literary centre. His other work is Śrenik Carita which has been recently discovered in the Ajmer Grantha Bhandār. This was composed in the year 1770 A.D. His other works are Bhart Bahubali Samwād and Sarswati Kalpa etc.

28. HARI KRIŚNĀ PĀNDE:

Hari Kriśna Pānde was a Ḥindi story writer of the 18th Century. He was the pupil of Vinay Sāgar and wrote 7 stories in simple Hindi verse. Some of his stories are Ratnatraya Kathā (1709 A.D.), Ananta Vrat Kathā, Daśa Lakśana Vrata Kathā (1705 A.D.) Jyestha Jinavar Kathā (1701 A.D.), Purandara Vidhān Kathā¹ (1711 A.D.)

१. संवत मतरहमें अडसिंठ समें, फागुन माम सुमार । दममी दिन पंडित कहीं, नाम वृहस्पतिवार ॥२४॥ सूरदेस हरि कंत सुम, पासंनाथ सुम थान । तिन समीप वरनी कथा, हरिकृष्ण नाम सुजान ॥२६॥

and Niśalyāṣṭamī Kathā. All these stories are available in the collection of Śāstra Bhandār of Fatehpur (Sekhāwāṭī). The works have not been published so far. He was a Jaina saint and lived in Pārśwanātha temple where he wrote all his works.

29. DEEP CANDA KĀSLĪWĀL:

He was a Rājasthānī scholar, born at Sāngāner but settled permanently in Āmer. He had great interest in spiritualism and wrote his works mainly on this subject. His works Anubhava Prakāśa, Cida Vilāsa, Ātmāvalokana and Parmātma Purāṇa are in Hindī prose and Gyāna Darpaṇa, Swarūpānanda and Updeśa Ratnamāla are in Hindi verse. He completed Cida Vilāsa in St. 1779 i. e. 1722 A.D. Two examples of his Hindi prose are as follows:—

इस ग्रन्थ में प्रथम परमात्मा का वर्णन किया। पीछे उपाय परमात्मा पायवे का दिखाया। जे परमात्मा को ग्रनभी कियो चाहै तो या ग्रन्थ को बार बार विचारों। यह ग्रन्थ दीपचन्द साधर्मी कियो है वास सांगानेर। ग्रामेर में ग्राये तब यह ग्रन्थ कियो। संवत् १७७६ मिति फागुरा बुदी पंचमी को यह ग्रन्थ पूर्ण कियो।

-Cida Vilāsa

जैसे बानर एक कांकरा के पड़े रौवे तैसे याके देह का एक अग भी छीजें तौ बहुतैरा रौवें। ये मेरे और मैं इनका भूंठ ही ऐसे जड़न के सेवन तैं सुख मानें। अपनी शिवनगरी का राज्य भूल्या, जो श्री गुरू के कहै शिवपुरी को संभालें तो वहां का आप चेनन राजा अविनाशी राज्य करें।

-Anubhava Prakāśa

30—SADĀSUKHA KĀSKĪWĀLA:—

He was a Jaipurian scholar born at Jaipur in 1795 A. D. His father Dulī Canda was ā famous businessman of his time. He studied with Śri Mannālāl Sāngākā who was himself a good scholar and obtained good knowledge of Hindī, Samskrit and Prākrit languages. He translated into Hindī prose ten works of Prā-

शैंडराज के वंग माहि, इक किंचित ज्ञाता । दूलीचन्द का पुत्र, कासलीवाल विख्याता ।।४।। नाम सदासुख कहें, ग्रात्मसुख का वह इच्छुक । सो जिनवानि प्रसाद, विषयतं भए निरिच्छुक ।।५।।

krit and Samskrit literature of wich Samayasāra and commentary on Tattwārtha Sūtra called Arthaprakāśikā¹ (1857 A. D.) are well known. He died in the year 1866 at the age of 71. Pārasdāsa Nigotīā was his chief pupil and wrote a very good account of himself in his work Gyāna sūryodaya Nāṭak.

31. PANNĀ LĀL CAŪDHARI:

He was Hindi Scholar of the 19th Century. He had translated works of Samskrit and Prākrit into Hindī prose and poetry. He was a good copyist also. More than 30 works were translated by him. Several manuscripts copied by him are available in the Grantha Bhandārs of Jaipur and other places. Subhāśitāvalī was the first work written by him in the year 1835 A.D. His later work are Yogasāra Bhāsa, Pānḍava Purāṇa Bhāṣā, Jambu Swāmī Carita Bhāṣa, Uttar Purāṇa Bhāṣā and Bhāviṣya Datta Carita Bhāṣā etc.

32. PĀRASDĀSA NIGOTIĀ:

He was a son of Riṣabha Dāsa Nigotiā, who was himself a scholar, so he inherited the literary taste from his father. He also remained in company of Sadāsukha Kāslīwāl a great Hindi scholar of 19th Century. He translated Gyānasūryodaya Nāṭak in Hindi prose in 1853 A.D. His small works have been collected in Pārsva Vilās, His third work is Sāra Caubīsī which was completed in the year 1861 A.D. He breathed his last in Ajmer in the year 1879 A. D.

33. BUDHAJAN:

He was born in Jaipur City. His full name was Virdhi Canda. He was a very good poet of the 18th and 19th Century and composed his works between Samvat 1859 to 1889 (1802 to 1832 A. D.) He composed Budhjana satsai in samwat 1879 (1822 A. D.). His works are regarded of high quality. His other works are Tatwārtha Bodha, Pancāsti Kāya and Badhjana Vilāsa.

34. KESARI SINGHA:

He was a scholar of Jaipur City belonging to the 19th Century. He was a lover of literature and spent the whole of his life either in study or in writing works,

संवत् उगर्णासै अधिक, चौदह आदितवार । सुदि दणमी वैणाल की, पूररण कियो विचार ॥३॥

On the request of Gyan Canda Chābrā, grand son of Bālcanda he translated into Hindi prose Vardhamān Purāṇa, a Samskrit work of Bhaṭṭārak Sakalkirti. The centre of his literary activity was the Jaina temple Laśkara, Jaipur. He was also a good coypist and several manuscripts written by him are found in the Sāstra Bhandārs of Jaipur. The description of Jaipur City given by him in his works is as follows:

नगर सवाई जयपुर जानि, ताकि महिमा ग्रधिक प्रवानि। जगतिसह जहां राज करेह, गौत कुछाहा सुन्दर देह ।।६।। देस देस के ग्रावे जहां, भांति मांति की बस्ती तहां। जहां सरावग वसै ग्रनेक, केईक के घर मांही विवेक।।७।।

-The work is still unpublished.

35. DULI CANDA:

Duli Canda was a great literary man. He collected in his life about 800 manuscripts travelling throughout India. He devoted most of his time in copying the manuscripts and safely preserving them. He was not a Rājasthāni Scholar by birth but he lived in Jaipur for about 25 years and established a Sāstra Bhandār in the Jain Terāpanthī temple, Jaipur. He travelled throughout India thrice and wrote a travel book called Jaina Yātrā Darpana He saw several Grantha Bhandārs and prepared a authorwise Catalogue. It was perhaps first attempt amongest the Jains for preparing such a catalogue of the manuscripts placed in varlous Grantha Bhandārs in India. He wrote more than 15 works in Hindi and died in Agra in the year 1877 A. D. The names of his important works are as follows:

- (1) Updeșa Ratnamālā, (2) Gyāna Prakāṣa Vilāsa,
- (3) Ārādhanāsār, (4) Mratyu Mahotsava,
- (5) Jaināgaraprakriyā, and(6)Sadbhāşitāvali etc.

All these works are preserved in his own bhandar and waiting for publication.

36. NĀTHULAL DOSĪ:

He was a Jaipurian and grandson of Dūlīcanda and son of Siva Canda. Sadāsukh Kāsliwāla was his teacher and dewan Amar Canda was his great admirer.

⁽¹⁾ Preserved in Bābā Dulicanda Grantha Bhandar, Jaipur

⁽²⁾ Preserved in Sanmati Pustakālaya, Jaipur.

He completed Sukumāla Carita in 1918 V. S. (1861 A. D.) on the request of Hara Candra Gangwal. At the end of the work he gives a description of the Jaipur City and of himself which runs as under:

हूं ढाहड देश मध्य जैपुर नगर सौहै,

च्यार वर्णा राह चले अपने सुधर्म की।

रामित मूपत के राज मांहि कमी नहीं,

कमी कछु दृष्टि परै जानौ निज कर्म की।।

वैश्यकुल जैनी को पूरव कृत्य पुण्य थकी,

पायौ यह खैलो अब मुदी दृष्टि धर्म की।।

जैन बैन कान सुनौ आत्म स्वरूप मुनौ,

चार अनुयोग भनौ, यही सीख मर्म की।।

DISCOVERIES OF THE VARIOUS WORKS

Most of the Grantha Bhandars were not previoually seen by any scholar so the various works in Samskrit, Prākrit, Apabharmsa, Hindī and Rājasthānī conld not come to light and the scholars were not aware of their existance. As a result of survey of these Grantha Bhandars of Rājasthān hundreds of works written in various Indian language have come to light. A list of such works written in Apabhbrbnsa and Hindi is gives in Appendixes III & IV. From the notes on some of these works, scholars may form an idea about the wealth of literature which is preserved in these Bhandars. In these pages a very short description of some works have been given.

The number of such works are as follows:

| | (a) Prākrit works | 3 |
|-----|-------------------------------|----|
| | (b) Apabhramsa works | 14 |
| | (c) Samskrit works | 12 |
| and | (b) Hindī and Rājasthnī works | |
| | 13th Century | 1 |
| | 14th Century | 2 |
| | 15th Century | 9 |
| | 16th Century | 23 |
| | 17th Century | 14 |
| | 18th Century | 3 |

PRĀKRIT & APABḤRAMSA WORKS

1. PĀSA CARIU:-

Pāsa Cariu was written by Kavi Devacandra who appears to be a poet of 11th or 12th Century. It deals with the life of Pārśva Nātha, the 23rd Tīrthankara. The poet calls it Mahākāvya. There are eleven sandhis in the work which have 202 Kadvakas. In the first portion of the work, the life of Pārśvanātha and in the later portion of the work, his previous lives have been described.

The writer of this work was the pupil of Vāsavacandra who was in the Bhattā raka line of Srī Kīrti, Deva Kīrti, Mādhavacandra, Abhayanandi, Vāsavacandra and Devacandra.

The manuscript of the work is preserved in the Sastra Bhandar of Nagaur.

2. GURŪ PARIVĀDI OR PAŢŢĀVALI :—

This is a Pattāvali of Khartaragaccha, a Śwetāmbara Sect. It was written in Apabhramśa by Palha Kavi. It has 10 Kadis, a kind of metre. The manuscript is available in the collection of Grantha Bhandār of Jaisalmer. The beginning and end of the manuscript is as follows:—

BEGINNING :-

जिगा दिट्ठइं श्रागांदु चड़इ, श्रइ रहसु चउग्गुगु।
जिगा दिट्ठइ भड़ हड़इ पाउ तगा निम्मलु हुइ पुगा।
जिगा दिट्ठइ सुहु होइ कट्ठु पुन्वुनिकउ नासइ।
जिगा दिट्ठइ हुइ रिद्धि दूरि दारिद्दु गासइ।

जिएा दिट्ठइ हुइ सुइ घम्ममइ ग्रखुहहु काइ उइकखहु ।
पह नवफिएा मंडिउ पासजिएा ग्रजयमेरि कि न पिनखहु ।।

END

वक्खािंग्यइ त परमतत्तु जिंगा पंगासइ। ग्राराहियइ त वीरनाहु कइ पल्हु पयासइ।।

धम्मु त दयसंजुत्त जेगा वर गइ पाविज्जइ । चाउ त स्राग्यंडियउ जु वहिंगु सलहिज्जइ ।।

जइ ठाउ त उत्तिमु मुिएावरह वि पवर वसिह हो चउर नर। तिम सुगुरु सिरोमिए। सूरिवर खरतर सिरि जिएादत्त वर।।१०।।

इति श्री पट्टावली । संवत् ११७१ वर्षे पत्तनमहानगरे श्री जयसिंहदेवविजयराज्ये श्री खरतरगच्छे योगीन्द्रयुगप्रधानवसितवासिनां श्रीजिनदत्तसूरीएगं शिष्येग ब्रह्मचन्द्रगिएगा लिखिता । ॐ गुमं
भवतु । श्रीमत्पार्श्वनाथायनमः ।

3. ŚĀNTIŅĀHA CARIU:-

Sāntināha Cariu is the work of Subha Kīrti. He refers to himself as Ubhaya BHĀṢĀ CAKRAVARTI, emperor or scholar of two languages and as such it is presumed that he was the scholar of Saṁskrit and Apabhraṁsa languages. He planned his work as Mahākāvya. Sāntiṇāha Cariu deals with the life of Sāntinātha, a Jaina Tīrthankara. The work contains 19 Sandhis. The exact date of its composition is not given in the work but it appears that it was written in the 13th or 14th Century. One manuscript is preserved in the Sāstra Bhanḍār of Nāgaur. This manuscript was copied in 1494 A. D. and was got written by Brahma Vīra and Brahma Lāla pupil of Bhaṭṭāraka Jinacandra.

4. PRĀKRIT CHANDA KOŞA :—

This is a beautiful Chanda Kosa which has been found in a Guṭakā of the Sāstra Bhanḍār of Jaina temple Pānḍyā Lūṇakaranji. The total number of the Gāthās is 78. The metres given in the book are as follows:—

| 1. | Somakānta | 2. Dodhaka | 3. Motiyādāma |
|-----|-----------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|
| 4. | Trotaka | 5. Yatibahula | 6. Bhujangaprapāta |
| 7. | Kaminīmohana | 8. Mainākula | 9. Chappaya |
| 10. | Rođaka | 11. Nārāca | 12. Dumilā |
| 13. | Vihān | 14. Gîta | 15. Vijay |
| 16. | Phuṭa Vansara | 17. Dohādodhaka | 18. Haṁsadodhaka |
| 19. | Soţaņa | 20. Cūlikā | 21. Upacūlikā |
| 22. | Uggāha Dohā | 23. Rasākula | 24. Skandhaka Dandaka |
| 25. | Kuṇḍalıyā | 26 Candrāyaņa | 27. Berāla |
| 28. | Rāḍhaka | 29. Vastu | 30. Duvaī |
| 31. | Padhaḍī | 32. Caupaī | 33. Kundalinī |
| 34. | Candrāyaņī | 35. Laghucaupai | 36. Adilla |
| 37. | Bhinna Adilla | 38. Ghattā | 39. Mehāņi |
| 40. | Mahā Mehāņi | 41. Nārāca (Prakarantara) | 42. Ekāvalī |
| 43. | Cuḍāmaṇi | 44. Mālatī | 45. Padmāvaţi |
| 46. | Gāthā | 47. Viprī | 48. Chatriņī |
| 49. | Vaisyī | 50. Śūdri | 51. Pathyā |
| 52. | Vipulā | 53. Capalā | 54. Mukha Capalā |
| 55. | Jaghanya Capalā | 56. Vigāhā | 57. Gītī |
| 58. | Upagīti | 59. Guhinī | |

5. PAUMA CARIU TIPPANA:-

Paum Cariu written by Svayambhu, is the earliest work of Apabhramsa literature so far discovered. It was composed in the 8th Century A.D. It is a Jaina Rāmā-yaṇa which describes the life of Rāma according to Jaina mythology. From a literary point of view, Pauma Cariya is considered one of the best and richest work not only in Apabhramsa but also in any Indian language.

A small Samskrit commentary of this work has been discovered in the Grantha Bhandar of Jaina temple Terapanthi, Jaipur. Though the date of the commentary is not given, the manuscript is an old one. It appears that it was composed in about 13th Century. It renders the difficult words of Apabhramsa into Samskrit. The commentary begins as under:—

स्वयंभुवं महावीरं प्रिशापत्य जगद्गुरूं। रामायरास्य वक्ष्यामि टिप्परां मतिशक्तितः॥

गुरु परमेट्ठि वृष्मनाथ प्रथवा गुरवण्च ते पंचपरमेष्ठिनः ते ग्रर्हतसिद्धाचार्योपाध्यायसाधवस्तत्र तिहुयण लग्गणखंम इति पाठः। पुगु पुनः संस्कृत प्राकृत व्याकरण छंदो द्विसंधानभारतसूत्रकानंतरं ग्रारिसु विरंतनमहामुनिप्रणीतरामायणशास्त्रं। परगुरु परमेष्ठिं नत्वेति पूर्वनमस्कारादुपरि चतुर्विशति परमिजनाननमस्कृत्यं कावे काव्येन ॥१॥

6. ĀŅAŅDĀ :—

Anandā is a small work which consists 42 stanzas. The main subject of the work is ethics. The stanzas express lofty sense in a few words. They touch the various spheres of life of a man and teach him to remain honest and pious. The date of the work is not given but it seems that it was composed in about 13th. Century.

The manuscript of the work is preserved in Amer Sastra Bhandar Jaipur. Some of the stanzas are as follows:—

ग्रप्पु शिरंजराषु परम सिउ ग्रप्पा परमाराष्ट्र । मूढ कुदेवरा पूजयइ ग्रांशदा रे ! गुरु विराष्ट्र भूलउ ग्रंघु ॥२॥

भितरि भरिउ पाउमलु, मूढा करिह सग्ग्हाग्रु। जे मल लाग चितमिह ग्राग्यंदा रे! किम जाय सण्हाग्गि।।४।।

 पािं मािंस मोयणु कर्रीह पिंगिडगासुनि रासु । ग्रप्पा ज्काइग् जाग्गींह ग्रांगुंदा ! तिह गाइ जमपुरि वासु ॥११॥

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हरिहर वंगुवि सिवणही मणु वृद्धि लक्खिउण जाई। मध्य सरीर हे सो वसइ अर्णदा! लीजहि गुरुहि पसाई।।१८।।

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सी त्रणा मुिंग जीव तुहुँ त्रगहंकरि परिहारू। सहज समाधिहि जागियई त्रागंदा! जे जिगा सासिंग सारु ॥२२॥

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ग्रप्पा संजमु सील गुण ग्रप्पा दंसगा गागु। वड तड संजम देड गुरु ग्रांगांदा ! ते पावहि गािव्वाणु ॥२३॥

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सिक्त सुराइ सन्गुरू मराइं परमारांद सहाउ । परम जोति तसु उल्हसई आंगांदा ! कींजइ रिएम्पलुमाउ ॥२६॥

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पडइ पडावइ ग्रणचरइ, सो एारु सिवपुर जाई । कम्महरण भवरिए दलरिएस ग्रांसंदा ! मिवयस हियइ समाई ॥३८॥

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समहस मार्वे रंगिमा अप्या देखइ सोई। अप्यट जागाइ परहगाई ग्रांगांदा ! करई गिरालंव होई ॥४०॥

7. AN OLD LETTER IN PRĀKRIT :-

This is a letter written in Prākrit language. It shows how in the old times, letters used to be written. The letter seems to be of that period when Bhojpatra and paper were used for writing as it was mentioned that whether there was no Bhoja leaf so that no letter was sent. This is an important letter which has been found in a Guṭakā of Śāstra Bhanḍār of Pāndyā Lūṇakaraṇi Jaipur. As there are only nine Gathas, all of them are quoted below:—

बुसत ग्रम्हारा वरं श्ररावरयं तुम्ह गुरालियंतस्स । पट्ठाविय नियकुमलं जिम ग्रम्हं होइ संतोसो ॥१॥ सो दिवसो सा राई सो य पएसो गुणाए आवासो। सुह गुरु तुह मुहकमलं दीसइ जत्थेव सुहजराएां ।।२।। कि ग्रंटमुज्जो देसी कि वा मसि नित्य तिह्यगो सयले । कि ग्रम्हेहिं न कज्जं जं लेहो न पेसिग्रों तुम्हें ।।३।। जर मुज्जो होइ मही उयहि मसी लेहिए। य वए।राई। लिहइ सुराहि वर्णा हो तुम्ह गुणा एा यागांति ॥४॥ जह हंसी सरइ सरं पड्डल क्चमाइं महुयरी सरइ। चंदरा वर्णं च नागो तह ग्रम्ह मर्णं तुम सरइ ॥५॥ जह भद्दए मासे भमरा समरंति श्रंव कुसुमाइं। तह भयवं मह हिययं सुमरइ तुम्हाण मूहकमलं ॥६॥ जह वच्छ सरइ सुर्राह वसंतमासं च कीइला सरइ। विज्मो सरइ गइंदं तह ग्रम्ह मर्गा तुमं सरइ ॥७॥ जह सो नील कलाग्री पावस कालम्मि पंजर छूढो। संभरइ वर्णे रिमर्ज तह श्रम्हं मर्गं तुमं सरइ ॥५॥ जह सरइ सीय रामी रुप्पिणि कण्हो गलो य दमयंती। गोरी सरइ रूद्दं तह ग्रम्ह मर्गं तुम सरइ ॥६॥

8. ŚRĪPĀLA CARIU:-

Srīpāla Cariu was composed by Brahma Dāmedara. It describes the life of Srīpāla who was a great emperor according to the Jaina mythology, In the beginning of the work, the poet mentions the names of the Ācāryas who had flourished before him and declares himself as the pupil of Bhaṭṭāraka Jina Candra. The work was composed on the request of Sāhu Nakhatū, son of Devarāj. It contains only four Sandhis. The manuscript belongs to the Sāstra Bhaṇdār of Jaina temple of Badhi Canda, Jaipur. In the beginning and end of the work, the poet has given a description of his patron. The last puṣpikā of the work is as under:—

इय सिरिपाल महाराय चरिए जय पयड सिद्धचक्क परमातिसयिवसेसगुर्णाण्यरभारेए बहुरोर घोर दुट्ठयरवाहिपसरिएण्णासणो धम्मइं पुरिसत्थायण पयासणो मट्टारय सिरि जिर्णचंद सामि सीस वहा दामोयर विरइए सिरदेवराज गांदण 'साहु गांवतु गांमंकिए सिरिपालराय मुक्खगमण वहि वर्णणणो गाम चउत्थो संघी परिछेउ समत्तो।

9. PĀSA ŅĀHA CARIU (Pārśvanātha Carita)

This work was written by Asawāla son of Laksmana. It was completed in Samvat 1479 (1422 A.D.) at Karahala village. The poet took one year in completing the work. The work contains 13 Sandhis in which life story of Parsvanātha has been described. A manuscript of this work is preserved in the Grāntha Bhandār of Jaina temple Terāpanthī, Jaipur. The beginning and end of the work is as follows:-

BEGINNING:-

सिवमुह सर सारंगहो सुयसारंगहो सारंग कहो गुएामरिक्रो ।

मग्मि मुग्रण सारंगहो खमसारंगहो प्रग्विवि पास जिग्रहो चिरिक्रो ।।

माविय सिरि मूलसंघचरणु, सिरि वलयारयगणा वित्थरणु ।

पर हरिय-कुमय पोमायरिज, ग्रायरिय सामि गुण्गगण मिरिज ।।

घरमचंदु व पहचंदायरिक्रो, ग्रायरिय रयण जस पहु घरिन्नो ।

घरि पंचमहत्वय कामरणु, रग्नुकय पंचिदिय संहरणु ।।

वर घम्म प्यासज सावयहं, वयधारि मुणीसर मावयहं ।

मवियण मग्ग पोमाग्गंव्यह मुणिपोमग्गंदि तहो पट्ट वह ।

हरि समज ए भवियणु तुच्छ मग्नु, मणहरइ पइट्ठ जिग्गवर भवणु ।

वरभवण भविण जस पायडिज, पायडु ग्र ग्रग्गंग मोहण्डिज ।

ग्राडिया वय रयण्त्तय वरणु घर रयण्त्तय गुग्गवित्थरगु ।

: घता :

तहो पट्टंवरसिस गामें सुहसिस मुिगा पय-पंकयचन्द हो।
कुलु खित्ति पयासिम पहु ग्राहासिम, संघाहिव हो वहो ग्रिगाद हो।

END:-

इकवीरहो ि एवि इं कुच्छराइं, सत्तरि सहुं चउसय वत्यरोइं।
पच्छइ सिरि ि एवि विक्कम गयाइं, एउएसीदी सहुँचछदहसयाइं।
मादव तम एयारस मुर्गोहु, वरि सिक्के पूरिछ गंथु एहु।
पंचाहिव वीससयाइं मुत्तु, सहसइं चयारि मंडिएगिहि जुतु।
वहलवखरा मूगा सुछ वरिट्ठु, ग्रारगंद महेसर माइ जेट्ठु।
जमु पचगुत्त सीहंति याइ, हुग्र करम रयरा मह मयराराइं।
सो करम उलेविस्मु सज्जरगाह, ग्राहासइ गुरिग्यरग् गुर्ग मर्गाह।
जो दुविहलंकारइ मुर्गोइ, जो जिस्सासिए। दंसस्मु जरगेइ।

जो सम्मत्तायर गुण अगव्वु, जो आयम सत्यइं मुणइं भव्वु । जो जीव दव्व तच्चत्थ मासि, जो सद्दासद्दं कुणइं रासि । गुण्यास माउ संवग्गु भेइ, जो वग्गु वाग मूल जि मुणेइ । जो संख असंख अर्णत जािण, जो भव्वाभव्वहं क्य पमािण । जो घण घण मूलहं मुणइं भेउ, सो सोहिवि पयडउ गंथ एउ । अह्ण मुणइंती मज्भुत्य होउ, अमुण्तहं दोसु म मज्भ देउ ।

घत्ता

जिसा समय पहुत्तसु गुसागसा कित्तसु अवसिव मिह वित्थारइ।
हउं तसु पयवंदिम अप्पड सिविद्या को सम्मतुद्धारइ।।६।।
सो सांदंड जियु सिरि पाससाहु, उपसम्मविस्पाससु परमसाहु।
सांदंड परमागमु सांदि संघु, सांदंड पहुवीसरु अरिदुलंघु।
सांदंड पउरमसु अहिंसभाउ, वृह्यसु सज्जसु अमुस्मिथ कुमाउ।
सांदंड किस वाम्ह हो तसांड वंसु, कीलंड सिय कुलिजिमसेरिह हंसु।
सांदंड जिसा धम्मिस बद्धराउ, लोसायरु सुअ हरिबह्मताउ।
सांदंड लिस धम्मिस बद्धराउ, लोसायरु सुअ हरिबह्मताउ।
सांदंड सहि मा परेहि, घारम्मता उपहिसय मसोहि।
सांदंड लहु मायस सहुं सुएस, परमत्यु जेस बुजिक्क मसोसा।
सांदंड को पयडइ पास चितु, आतम सारंकिंड गुसा विचितु।
जा सुरिगिरि रिव सिस मिहिप ओहि, ता चडिवह संघहं जसांहि बोहि।
असुवाल मसाइ मइं कयंड राउ, जिसा केवल लोयसु मज्कु देउ।
कि चोज्ज जासु वधरिज हवइ, मो कि सेवय रहो तंसा देइ।

घत्ता

जाजिए मुह िएाग्गय सग्गा सुमंगम गिरतइ लोएा हो सारी। जं किउ हीएगाहिउ काइमि साहिउ तमहु खमउ मंडारी।

इय पासगाह चरिए श्रायमसारे सुवग्ग चहु भरिए। वुह श्रसवाल विरइए संघाहिप सोगािगस्स कगागाहरण सिरिपास गाह गािव्वाग गमगो गाम तेरहमो परिच्छेग्रो सम्मतो ॥१३॥

10. SAMBHAVA JINA CARIU:-

This is an Apabhramsa work written by Tejapāla. The work describes the life of Sambhavanatha, the third Tīrthankara. The work was composed on the request of Srāvaka Thila who was an Agrawāl Jaina.

The work is divided into five Adhikāras. In the beginning of the work, full account of his teacher Guna Kirti, his patron and himself is given. The manuscript was discovered in the Śāstra Bhanḍār of Jaina temple Dīwānji, Jaipur. It contains 62 folios. After 'manglācaraṇa the poet gives the description of his teacher in the following lines:—

पुगु पराविमि मुिंग तवनेय चार, विर चिरय कम्म दुक्खावहार ।

मुिंग सहसिकत्ति धम्मागुविट्ट, गुराकीत्ति गुराग्यर ताह पिट्ट ।।

तहो सीसु सेय लछी गिवासु, जसिकत्ति जिराग्यम पह-पयासु ।

तहो पिट्ट महामुिंग मलयिकत्ति, उद्धरिय जेरा चारित्त विति ।।

तहो सीसु गामसिम ग्यसिरेग, परमपप्पउ साइउ पवर जेरा ।

दो पढम भारा दूरीकएरा, तो भाराहि गियमगु दिग्र गु जेरा ।।

गुरागह महामइ महमुगीसु, जिरा संव्वहो मंडरा पंचमीसु ।

जो केवि मव्य कंदोट्ट चंद, पराविष्पिगु तह अवरिव मुनिंद ।।

11. PINGAL CATŪRŚITI RŪPAKA:—

This is also a work on Prākrit metres and has been discovered in a gutakā of Pāndya Lūnkaranji. The name of the author is not given in the work but it appears that it was composed when Prākrit and Apabhramśa were popular. It describes or defines 84 metres, the names of which are as follows:—

| (1) | Sāḍā | (11) Gandhānā | (21) Gītikā |
|------|-----------|-----------------|-----------------|
| (2) | Dandikā | (12) Dacchithä | (22) Dīllā |
| (3) | Gāhinī | (13) Rođã | (23) Paddhaḍī |
| (4) | Gāhā | (14) Lālā | (24) Adialla |
| (5) | Viggāhā | (15) Rangikkā | (25) Madilla |
| (6) | Sinhani | (16) Vijjumālā | (26) Vathu |
| (7) | Uggāha | (17) Caupaiyā | (27) Vahratthu |
| (8) | Khandhānā | (18) Pahumāvati | (28) Jhamilla |
| (9) | Vatthuvā | (19) Rūvāmālā | (29) Gayanandu |
| (10) | Dohā | (20) Ghaṭṭā | (30) Payangam - |

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| (31) Tinnā | (49) Candāņā | (67) Pāikkā |
| (32) Nārāyā | (50) Cūliyā | (68) Pankā |
| (33) Duvai | (51) Cāraņa | (69) Vānī |
| (34) Pāvānī | (52) Kamalā | (70) Sālūda |
| (35) Vallaggiyā | (53) Dîpakkā | (71) Rāsā |
| (36) Cānvar | (54) Mottidāma | (72) Tāṇī |
| (37) Sāmāņī | (55) Sārangā | (73) Candāmālā |
| (38) Dhārīya | (56) Bandhā | (74) Cakkā |
| (39) Khanjā | (57) Vijjohā | (75) Hārakkī |
| (40) Tungā | (58) Narahancã | (76) Dhũā |
| (41) Sikkhā | (59) Pancã | (77) Takkā |
| (42 Totaka | (60) Sammohā | (78) Khaṇdā |
| (43) Bhujangaprayāta | (61) Cauransā | (79) Khanḍlayā |
| (44) Līlā | (62) Hansā | (80) Kambalayā |
| (45) Laggaņīyā | (63) Manghāṇā | (81) Dhavlangā |
| (46) Jamakkānā | (64) Khandā | (82) Vimbā |
| (47) Phari | (65) Khanjā | (83) Dambaliya, |
| (48) Morakkā | (66) Harsankhāņa | (84) — |
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Apart from these metres, the poet gives also examples of sub-divisions of the metres. He also mentions the name of the poet Ralha, the maker of Upcūliu Chanda:—

दोहा छंदुवि पढम पदि दह दह कल संजुत्त सुग्रठ सविमत्त दइ। उपचूलिउ वुहियण सुगाहु गुरू गण मुण संजुत्त जंपेइ रल्ह कवि।। the beginning and end of the poem is as follows—

जा विज्जा चउराण्णेण सरिसा जा चउमुए संमुणा।

जा विज्जाहर-जक्ख-किन्नर-गर्गा जा सूर इ दांइया । जा सिद्वागा सुरा गारागा कइगा जा घूवयं निच्चयं । सा ग्रम्हागा सुहागा विमला वागी सिरी भारया ।

जो विविह सत्य सायर परयंतो सविमलजल हेयं।

पढगाव्मास तरंडो नाएसो पिगलो जयउ।

End — तीसद्बुवमत्तय एरसजुत्तय पंडियलोय चवंति रगरा ।

विस्सामयरिट्ठिय एरसदिट्ठिय पायरा सिट्टिय तिरिग्णघरा

दासप्पढ-मंचिय ब्रट्ठतहंचिय चडदह तिरिग्गिव कियिगालयं

जो एरिस छंदय सेस फरिग्दय सो जागे मुच्च डंबलियं।।

इति डंबलियाछंद समाप्तः । इति पिंगलस्य चतुरशीतिरूपकाः समाप्ताः।

12. ŅEMIŅĀHA CARIU:-

The Neminaha Cariu was composed by Damodara. It was completed before Pandit Kamal Bhadra and on the request of Rama Candra.

इह गोमिगाहचरिए महामुगि कम्बलमद्दपच्चक्खे महाकइ किग्हु दामोदर विरइए पंडिय रामयंद श्राएसिए मल्हसु ग्रनग्गएउ श्रायांगिग्गए जम्मुप्पत्ति नामा पढमो संघि परिच्छेग्रो सम्मत्तो ।

It describes the life of Lord Neminātha. An incomplete manuscript of this work is preserved in the Śāstra Bhanḍār of Pāṭodī Jain temple Jaipur. It contains three sandhis. The first Sandhi deals with the birth of Neminatha, the second deals with the war between Jarāsandh and Lord Kriṣṇa and in the third Sandhi, the description of Neminātha's marriage is given. There may be four to five sandhis in the work. The first two folios are missing.

13. YOGASĀRA:-

Yogasāra was written by Bhaţṭāraka Śruta Kīrti. His other three works are Dharma Parīkśā, Harivanśa Purāṇa and Parmeṣṭī Prakāśasāra. Yogasāra is the fourth work of the poet, which has been discovered in the Śāstra Bhanḍār of Terāpanthī Jaina temple, Jaipur. It is divided in two sandhis. The last page of the manuscript has been eaten by ants so the portion in which the date of completion is given, could not be known. From Yogasāra the following information about the poet is available.

That he was the pupil of Tribhuvan Kīrti pupil of Devendra Kīrti.

That it was completed in Jerhat City in the temple of Nemināthā. The works ends as follows—

इय जोगध्यानानुसारे चिरसून्पिउत्तियाणु ग्रणुसारे बहुजोयस्स वितेमो पढमारंभेगासंकरुद्दे सो कयसुदिकत्तिसउग्ग्गे भिवया ग्रायण्णिचित्तसंतोसो वृहयणु गरपयभत्तो गाम विदीक परिद्येक सम्मत्तो ॥ संधि २॥

14. Vidhawā Šīla Samraksaņopāya:-

There are only ten gāthās in the work in which means for safeguarding the chastity of the widows have been mentioned. This is a book on social custom which throws some light on the society of the period and position of the widows in the society. As the number of the Gāthās is only ten, all of them are quoted. From the language of the work it appears that the work was composed in the 15th or 16th Century at the latest:—

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पुरिसेण सह सहासं संमासं वत्तकारण मेगतें।
                  सयराासरााइं पइरिक्कठार्गं च ।। १ ।।
पुरिसस्सवालविवरण भ्रंगोहलिण्हाण मलगामन्भंगो ।
         दिट्ठीइ दिट्ठिवंघो विलेवएां चलएा घुवएां च ।। २ ।।
तंबोल कुसुम कु कम कर्प्रं सुरहि तिल्ल कत्यूरी।
         केस सरीर नियंसगा वासगामेलाइ सिरिखंड ।। ३ ।।
नहदंत ग्रलय सीमंत केस रोमारा तह य परिकम्मं ।
          ग्रच्चंतमुच्चधम्मिल्लबंधरा वेरिगवंध च ॥४॥
नाहि नियंत्र-उरत्यल-पयासगां पुरिस-सेव-करगां च।
          नर–सुर–तिरिए दट्टुं कामकहें पुव्व रव सरएां।। ५ ।।
सव्वंचिय ग्राभरणं ग्रलत्तंय ग्रंजणं ग्रणुवरितं।
                 खट्टाई-संयरां तह क्लिग्रएउ ॥ ६ ॥
कोसंमं पट्टउलं तिलवासाईिंग ग्रच्छवत्थािंग ।
          इगमत्ती जुयलस्स उ परिहरां उन्मडो वेसो।। ७।।
 खीरं कामुद्दीवरा-वंजरामाहारमहियमहरा च ।
          जगा समवाए कोउग-पलोयगां घम्मठागा वहि । पा
 पर गिहगमणं एगागिगीइगिसि बाहिरम्मि गिरस्सरणं।
          चमचम-रत-उलगागां तलियागां तह परिभोगं ।। ६ ।।
                                     नह रागो ।
           दप्पग्-पलोयगां मिदियाइ
 सिगारत्यं
          एमाइ विहव महिलागा विवज्जए सीलरक्खट्ट ।। १० ।।
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15. SANDEŚA RĀSA ŢIPPAŅA:-

Sandeśa Rāsa is a famous work of Apabhramśa literature written by Abdul Rahmān, the only Muslim writer of Apabhramśa. It is a work of 14th Century and was composed on the lines of Meghadūta of Kālidāsa. A Samskrit Ţippaṇa (commentary) has been discovered in the Śāstra Bhandār of Terāpanthī Jaina temple, Jaipur. This is one of the best Samskrit commentaries so far found in the manuscript libraries of India. It clears all the doubts and gives an easy sense of the Apabhramsa words. The total number of the gāthās is 220. The manuscript is incomplete as the first three pages are missing. It was written in the year 1551 A. D.

16. PĀRŚVA PURĀŅA:-

This is an Apabhramsa work written by poet Raidhu (15 th Century). It describes the life of pārsvanātha written on the request of khema Sādhu. The Purāṇa is divided into 7 Sandhis, One manuscript copy of the year 1686 A. D. has been discovered in the Grantha Bhandār of Bolsīrī temple Kotah.

इय सिरिरपासगाहपुरागो ग्रायमग्रत्यस्स ग्रत्थिसुग्गिहागो मिरि पिडिय रयघू विरङ्ग सिरि महाभव्व सेत्रसाहुगांमिकिए मिरि पासगाह गिव्वागाकल्लागावण्गगो गाम मप्तमो संबी पिरछेऊ समत्तो । ७ । संवि । इति श्री पार्श्वनाथपुरागा समाप्तं । संवत् १७४३ वर्षे माघकृष्णाचन्द्रवारे लिखितं महानंद पुष्कर मल्लात्मज पालंबनिवासो ।

17. JAMBU SWĀMI CARIU: (Samskrit commentary)

This is a Samskrit commentry on the famous Apabhramśa work 'Jambu Swāmi Cariu' of mahākavi Vīra. It has been discovered in the Sāstra Bhandār of Jaina temple Terāpanthī, Jaipur. The manuscript was copied in Samvat 1565 (1508 A.D.) It is a good commentary which clears some difficult words. The commentary on the first Sandhi is written in detail in comparison to the other sandhis. It covers one third portion of the manuscript. From the commentary it appears that in the 13 th and the 14 th centuries, the Samskrit was used as medium for understanding the difficult words of Apabhramśa even.

SAMSKRIT WORKS

1. MEGHĀBHYUDAYA :-

It is a short poem on Meghadūta of Kālidāsa. The whole poem is finished in 38 samskrit stanzas. The manuscript is in the collection of Granth Bhandār of Jaisalmer. The first stanza of Meghadūta has been written as under:—

काचित् काले प्रमुदितनदन्नीलकण्ठैर्घनागे,
व्योमाटव्यां प्रतिदिशमलं सञ्चरन् मेघनागे ।
वद्धारम्मं वदति वनिता स्म प्रवासाय कान्तं,
कामण्चापं वहति हितदा विस्फूरच्छायकान्तम् ॥ १ ॥

The end of the work is as follows:-

विद्युल्लता लसित काञ्चनसन्निभारं, धाम्नो वहन्ति धनवन्ति नभानिभारम् । उच्चै रसत्यविरतं जलदोऽस्तवारि— रस्मिन् प्रयातु समये प्रिय यस्तवारिः ॥ ३८ ॥ इति मेघाभ्युदयकाव्यं समाप्तमिति ॥ छ ॥

2. JĪTASĀRA SAMUCCĀYA :--

This is also a new work which has been found in the Grantha Bhandār of Ajmer. Jītasāra Samuccaya was composed by VRISABH NANDI. According to Śri Jugalkishore Mukhtār, the scholar flourshed earlier than the 9th century. There are 700 ślokas in it. Though in the original work the number of slokas are stated to be 600. This shows that some verses were interpolated by some copyists.

The subject matter of the work deals with punishments, which are to be inflicted when the Jaina principles are violated.

3. NYĀYA VĀRTIKA ŢIPPAŅA :—

This is a commentary on Nyāya Vārtika written by Bhārdvāj in Samskrit. This is a non Jain-work. The manuscript exists in the Grantha Bhandar of Jaisalmer. It belongs to Samvat 1279 i.e. 1222 A. D. The end of the manuscript is as follows:—

यो ऽ क्षपादमपि न्यायः प्रत्यभाद् वदतांवरम् । तस्य वात्स्यायन इदं भाष्यजातमवर्त्तंयत् ॥ १ ॥ जतीनां सप्रपञ्चानां निग्रहस्थानलक्षराम् । शास्त्रस्य चोपसंहारः पञ्चमे परिकोत्तितः ॥ २ ॥ यदक्षपादप्रतिमो भाष्यं वात्स्यायनो जगौ । श्रकारि महतस्तस्य भारद्वाजेन वार्त्तिकम् ॥ ३ ॥

इति पञ्चमोध्यायः समाप्तः ॥ छ ॥ न्यायावात्तिकं समाप्तिमिति ॥ छ ॥

संवत् १२७६ वर्षे फागुन सुदि ६ बुधे प्रत्हादनपुरस्थितेन ठ. वित्हर्गोन न्यायवार्तिकपुस्तकं समाप्तमिति ॥ श्रीमिष्जनपतिसूरिशिष्य श्रीजिनेश्वर-सूरोगां उपदेशेन ॥

4. ADHYĀTMA RAHASYA:-

Adhyātma Rahasya written by Pandit Āśādhar of the 13th Century was unknown to the scholars till about ten years ago but it has been discovered now in Jaina Śāstra Bhandār of Ajmer. This work was composed by the order of his father. This is on the subject of Adhyātma (spiritualism). The name of Adhyātma Rahasya mentioned by the poet in his ANAGĀRA DHAMĀMRITA (1243A.D.) as such it appears that it was composed befor 1243 A. D. The total numder of verses is 73. The beginning and the end of the manuscript is as follows:—

Beginning

मच्येम्यो भजमानेभ्यो यो ददाति निजं पदम् । तस्मै श्रीवीरनाथाय नमः श्रीगीतमाय च ॥ १ ॥

End

गण्वच्चेतयते यदुत्सवमयं ध्यायन्ति यद्योगिनो येन प्राश्मित विश्वमिन्द्रनिकरा यस्मै नमः कुर्वते । वैचित्रीयगतो यतोऽस्ति पदवी यस्यान्तरः प्रत्ययो मुक्तियंत्र लयस्तदस्तु मनसि स्फूर्जत्परं ब्रह्म मे ॥ ७३ ॥

5 COMMENTARY ON BHŪPĀLA CATURVINSANTI STOTRA :—

Bhūpāl Caturvinśanti stotra is a work in Samskrit by Bhūpāl poet. It is a prayer in praise of twenty four Tīrthankaras. Āśādhar, a famous samskrit writer of 13th Century wrote a commentary on this stotra. But the copy of the Commentary written by him was not available before some time back. Now it has been discovered in the Śāstra Bhandār of Jaina tenple, Pāṭodī. This is a rare manuscript as upto this time only one manuscript has been discovered. The commentary was made by the scholar for his pupil Vinay Candra. This is a good commentary on the work. The commentary of the 2nd stanza is as follows:—

णान्तं वपुः श्रवसाहारि वचश्चरित्रं,
सर्वोपकारि तव देव ततः श्रुतज्ञाः ।
संसारमारवमहास्थलहन्द्रसान्द्र—
च्छायामहीह्ह भवन्तमुपाश्रयन्ते ।। २ ॥

शान्तं निर्विकारं सौम्यिमित्यर्थः । वपुः शरीरं तवास्तीति संबन्धः । श्रवग्रहारि श्रोत्रियं वचो वाक्यं तवास्ति । चरित्रं चरग् विहरग्रित्रया सामाधिकादि चारित्रं वा सर्वेपां प्राग्गिनामुपकारि उपकारकम् । भगवति हि विहरित सुमिक्षारोग्यादिना सर्वे जन्तवः स्वस्थाः भवन्ति । प्राण्युपघातश्च न स्यात्तथातदुपदिष्टधर्मानुष्ठानान्निराबाधा भवन्ति । यतः एवं । हे देव इन्द्रादिभिदींव्यते स्त्यते इति देवः । ततस्तस्माद्वपुः शान्तत्वादिति हेतोः । श्रृतज्ञा ग्रागमिवदः । संसार एव मारव मक्देशप्रभवं महास्थलं प्राग्गिनां सन्ततसन्तापहेतुत्वात्तत्र रुंद्रो महान् सान्द्रो घनः छाययोपलक्षितो महीरुहो वृक्षः । यस्य सूर्ये चलत्यिप यस्य छाया निश्चला भवति स छायातरुरिति लोके प्रसिद्धः स तथाभूतो जिनः ग्रामन्त्र्यते । भवन्त त्वां श्रयन्ते ग्रर्थान्तराद्व्यावृत्य समन्तात्सेवन्ते ।। २०।।

6. Commentary on KIRĀTĀRJUNĪYA:-

This is a Samskrit commentary on KIRĀTĀRJUNĪYA by Prakāśa Varṣa. This commentary has been newly discovered in Āmer Śāstra Bhandār, Jaipur. One manuscript of this is available also in the collection of Jaisalmer Bhandār. The commentary has not been published so far.

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7. ŚRĀVAKA DHARMA PRAKARAŅA :--

Śrāvaka Dharma Prakarana was composed by Jinesvar Sūri in Samskrit in the year 1256 A. D. It describes the duties of a Jaina layman. The work is written in artificial language. The total number of stanzas is 245. The manuscript of the work is preserved in the Grantha Bhandār of Jaisalmer.

8. UTTARA PURĀŅA ŢIPPAŅA:-

Uttarapurāna is a famous work written in Samskrt by Ācārya Guṇa Bhadra in the 9th Century. It is very popular among the Jainas and is widely read. A Samskrit commentary written on this Purāna has been discovered in the Śāstra Bhandār of Jaina temple Terāpanthī Jaipur. The name of the commentary written is not known but as the manuscript is of Samwat 1569, the commentary seems to have been written earlier than this. No commentary of this Purāna has been found so for. This commentary is rare one. The beginning of the commentary is as under:—

विनेयानां मव्यानां । श्रवाग्मागे दक्षिण मागे । ५ प्रणायिनः संतः । वृग्युतेस्म मजंतिस्म ॥ ६ शक्ति सिद्धिः मयोपेतः । प्रभूत्साहमंत्रशक्तयस्तिस्रः ।

प्रमुशक्तिर्चमवेदाद्या मत्रशक्तिद्वितीयकाः तृतीयोत्साहशक्तिश्चेत्याहु शक्तित्रयं बुधाः ॥

9. PĀRŚVANĀTHA CARITRA:-

One manuscript of this work has been discovered in the Śāstra Bhandār of Dablānā (Būndī). It is in Samskrit prose. The name of the author has not been mentioned in the work. The manuscript was copied in the year 1563 A. D. by Pandit Saubhāgya Kīrti. (1)

The work beals with the life of Lord Pārsśvanātha. The language of the work is simple. The work is empleted in 27 folios. One quotation from the work is as follows:—

मयुरापुर्या घनसारो घनाड्यः । स पिटकोटि घनी । द्वाशितिकोटिमौमिमध्ये द्वाविशितकोटि व्यवसायमध्ये द्वाविशितकोटि गृहव्याजे संति...... ।

⁽१) संवत् १६२० ज्येष्ठमासे शुक्लपक्षे ५ तियी पं० सीमाग्यकीर्तिना लिखितं ।

10. SULOCANĀ CARITRA:-

Sulocanā Caritra was written by Vāḍi Cāndra, pupil of Prabhā Candra. It is in Saṃskrit poetry. It describes the life of Sulocanā Satī who was famous for her good character. The work is divided into nine paricchedas. One manuscript of this work has been discovered in the Grantha Bhanḍār of Dablānā (Būndī). The manuscript contains the date of 1708 A. D. It was copied by Lāl Candra, pupil of Brahma Kripā Rāma.

11. CĀRPAŢA ŚATAKA:—

This is in Samskrit composed by some unknown scholar. There are hundred Padyas in the work in which several kinds of teachings have been imparted. This has been found in the Grantha Bhandār of Pāndyā Lūnkaranji. This is a rare work which has not been found so far in any of the Bhandārs in Rājasthān. The manuscript is dated samvat 1873 (1816 A. D.). The beginning and end of the work is as follows:—

श्रीसर्वज्ञं नत्वा देवं, सकलसुरासुरविरचितसेवं । वक्ष्ये किंचित्तदनुचरोऽहं, मुंचित येन विवेकी मोहं।। १।। विजितदुष्टसहायमहोभिः, परिहरमाषाकायमनोभिः । पड्विधजीविनकायविनाशं, संसृतिचारकवन्धनपाशं।। २।।

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कोऽहं कस्त्वं कथमायातः, का मे जननी को मे तातः । इति परिमावयतः संसारः, सर्वोयं खलु स्वप्नविहारः ॥ ६६ ॥ वर्गोच्चारराकरराविहीनं, यदिदं गुरु-संकेते लीनं । स्वयमुन्मीलित यस्य ज्ञानं, पुनरिप तस्य न गर्माधानं ॥ १०० ॥

12. RĀJAVANŠA VARŅANA :—

This is a work written in Samskrit and deals with the various dynasties of India. It contains 9 leaves but the 1st leave is missing. The date of writing the manuscript is not given. The manuscript belongs to the Sastra Bhandar of Jaina Terapanthi Mandir, Jaipur.

In the beginning, the author gives a passing reference to important dynasties of India and then he begins with Pandava dynasty in the following way:—

तत्रादी शकपथायां, इंद्रराज्यं करिष्यति ।

कलिकाले 'इंद्रपृस्यः' इति नाम भविष्यति ।

पुनश्च पांडवभूपालाः राज्यं कृत्वा कली युगे

वर्ष त्रय सहस्त्रश्च, भवतीह न संशय ।। २ ॥

This description completes in 76 Padyas. After giving a short reference to Rāma Vansa Rājya, the poet begings with Pamāra dynasty in this way:—

कृतयुगे विवर्धाता, त्रेतायां रघूनन्दनः ।

हापरे कर्गाविस्यातः किलकाले च विक्रमः ॥ १ ॥
दातासूरदयातुष्ट्य, परदुःखश्चमंजकः ।
दिल्लीणविक्रमादित्यः उज्जैगी राज्यनायकः ॥ २ ॥

This finishes in 92 verses. Afterwards he describes about Tunvar dynasty in which there were 19 Kings. For the Cāuhān dynasty, the author takes 25 verses. After The downfall of Cauhānas, Pattan dynasty begins. The poet gives an exact date which is as follows:—

विकंमात् सप्तद्विद्वैक :१२२७: वर्षे च प्रवरे वरे । चैत्रकृष्णात्रयोदस्यां, म्लेच्छराज्यं च जायते ।। १ ।।

In Samvat 1393 (1336 A. D) Kutūbuddin established his kingdom:

विक्रमात् त्रिनवत्रयोदय :१३६३: राज्यस्थापितः म्लेच्छनायक:।
ग्रादौ कुतबुर्द्गनास्थ, वेद-वर्प-द्विमामक:।
किरदिना रुद्र घटिका, योगिनीपुरराज्यकृत् ॥ २६॥

After describing Lodi dynasty, the author states that the rule of Chatta (Moghul) dynasty begins from Samvat 1553 (1496 A. D) and Taimūrlang was the first and Bābara was the second one. It completes with the description of Aurangzeb who ruled over India for 49 years 9 months and 27 Gharies. There are some verses after the description of Aurangzeb, but it seems that they were written later on by another man. The author gives four names for Delhi i. e. INDRAPRASTHAPUR, YOGĪNĪPUR, PHILLI and lastly DELHI.

HINDI & RĀJASTHĀNI WORKS

1. JINADATTA CARITA:-

Jinadatta Carita or Jinadatta Kathā was composed by the poet Rajarsingh in the year 1297 A. D. The work has been discovered in a guṭakā of Jaina temple, Pāṭodī, Jaipur. It describes the life of a Jaina Śrāvaka Jinadatta who was the son of a richman. Once he went to Ceylon for business and there he married the daughter of the King. It contains 553 stanzas.

The poet was Jaisawāl by caste. His father's name was Āte and mother's name was Siryā. The language of the work is influenced by Rājasthānī and Apabhramsa. The main metre of the work is Caupai but metres like Dohā and Vastu Bandha have also been used. It is perhaps the first big work of old Hindī in which the date of composition is given. It is full of poetic beauty and presents a picture of the social and economical condition of that time: The poet gives his family account and date of completion of work in the following lines:—

जइसवाल कुलि उत्तम जाति, वाईसइ पाडल उत्तपाति ।
पंचऊलीया भ्राते कउ पूतु, कवइ रल्हु जिरावत्त चिरत्तु ॥ २६ ॥
माता पाइ नमउ जं जोगु, देखि लियउ जेहि मत लोगु ।
उविर मास दस रहिउ घराइ, घम्मु बुधि हुई सिरीया माइ ॥ २७ ॥
पुराष्ट्र पुराष्ट्र पालउ करुगा भाइ
म उवयारस्यु हुइसउ उरस्यु, हा हा माइ मज्भु जिरा सरस्यु ॥ २८ ॥
संवत् तेरहसें चउवण्यों, मादवसुदि पंचम गुरु दिण्यों ।
स्वाति नखत्ता चंदु तुली हती, कवइ रल्ह परावइ सरसुती ॥ २६ ॥

The last portion of the work in which the poet requests his readers not to defame the work, is as follows:—

जो जिरादत्त की निंदा करड, सुनत चउपही जिल जिल मरउ।
जो यह कथा घालिहइ रालि, तहु मिछत्ती दइ यहु गालि।।५४६।।
मइ जोयउ जिरादत्त पुरासु, लाखू विरयउ ग्रइस पमासु।
देखि विसक रयउ फुड एहु, हत्थालवसु वृहयस देहु।।५५०।।
जो जिरादत्त कउ सुसाइ पुरास्त्र, तिसको होइ सास्तु सिक्वासु।
ग्रजर ग्रमर पड लहइ निरुत्तु, चवइ रल्ह ग्रमई कउ पूत्तु।।५५१।।

गय सत्तावन छयसय माहि, पुन्नवंत को छापइ छाह ।
तक्कु पुरागु सुगिउ नउ सत्य, भगाइ रत्हु हउ गा मुगाउ ग्रत्यु ।।५५२।
जिगादत्त पूरी मई चउपही, छप्पन हीगावि छहसय कही ।
सहसु सलोक विन्न सय रहियं गथ पमागु राइसिहु कहिय ।।५५३।।
संवत् १७५२ वर्षे कात्तिग शुदि ५ शुक्रवासरे लिखतं महानंद पालंव

पूष्करमलात्मज ॥

2. CAUBĪSĪ GĪTA:

Caubīsī Gīta was composed by Delha in the year 1324 A. D. It contains 26 verses of which 24 verses are written in the praise of twenty four Tīrthankaras and the remaining two describe the poet and when it was composed. The language of the work is an old Hindī, prevalent at that time. From the linguistic point of view the work presents a good māterial for research.

Delha, the writer of this poem was born in Parwar caste at Tihdhā City. The work has been discovered in the Grantha Bhanḍār of Baḍā Jaina temple, Jaipur. It exists in a guṭakā which was written in 1433 A. D. In the first stanza, the poet describes the circumstances under which the work was written:—

श्रादि रिसहु पर्गवेपिगु, श्रन्त वीरु जिग्गगाहु ।
श्ररहु सिद्ध श्राचार्य, श्ररु उज्भापित साहु ।।
गगाहर देउ नएपिगु, सारद करइ पसाउ ।
हुउ चउवीसी गाउं, किर तिमुद्ध सममाउ ।।
सा तन सहजानन्दगु, बोलइ बच्छ निरूत्त ।
कम्मक्त्रय कारगा गिमित्त, देल्ह तुम्हि रचहु किवत्त ।
हुममु कालु पंचमउं, धम्म की दिन दिन हाग्गी ।
वोधि करहु फलु लेहु, कहहू चउवीस बखाग्गी ।।
गौरउ पमगाइ गिमुगि, गाह हुउं दासि तुम्हारी ।
जिग्ग चउवीस कथंतरु, सो मुहि कहहु विचारी ।।

Items of Description:

वापु माय तित्यंकरू जनमु नयरु ग्रर ग्राउ । जक्क्षु जिक्क्ष्यणी लंद्यणु ग्रर जिहि जेतउ काउ ।। Last portion of the work in which the date of completion and the poet's family account is given runs as under:

कहउं जािंग कुलु श्रापगाउं परवाडु भगााउं ।

धम्मे साहुिह पगाित श्राजिहि पैतु नाउं ।।

उदैसािह दिउ भीयां ए तोिनउ लघु माई ।

टिहिड़ा गायिर वसन्त देल्ह चउवीसी गाई ।।

हउं तुम्हि गोरउ पुंछिउ वृद्धि कहा महपाइ ।

तेरहसइ इकहत्तरे संवच्छर होइ ॥

मासु वसन्तु श्रतीतउ श्रलखइ तिज दिन होइ ।

गुरुवासरु पमिगाज्जइ रोहिगाि रिसु गुगोहु ।।

बहाा जोग पसिद्धउ जोइसु एम कहेइ ।

पढड पढावइ गिसुगाइ लिहि लिहा जो देई

भव समुदु सो उत्तरइ मोक्खपुरह सो जाइ ।।

3. PRADYUMNA CARITA¹:-

Pradyumna Carita was composed by the poet Sadhāru in the year 1354 A.D. It is a work on the life of Pradyumna, the son of Śrī Kriṣṇa and one of the great personalitics in the Jaina Mythology. The work contains 701 stanzas in various metres, specially in caupai. The language of the work is Brijabhāshā and probably it is the first work in Brijabhāṣā. It is a very good work and possesses literary merits. The method of description is very simple and easily understandable. It was composed in the Airacha town which is on Kanpur-Jhansi line. Two manuscripts of this work have been discovered in the Jain Śāstra Bhanḍār of Jaina temple Badhīcanda, Jaipur. & Jaina Śāstra Bhanḍār of Kāmā. The first manuscript was written in 1548 A. D. and the other in the 17th Century. The main Rasa of the work is 'Vīra' because one third of the stanzas are related to Vīra Rasa. The work may be divided into six sargas, and there is description of war in every Chapter. Apart from other things, the work is very much important from linguistic point of view. The beginning and end of the work is as follows:—

सारद विशा मित कवितु न होइ, सरु ग्राखरु शावि वूभइ कोइ। सो सधार परामइ सरसुति, तिन्हि कहु बुधि होइ कतहुती।। १।।

^{1.} Published by S. D. Jain Atisaya Ksetra Śri Manāvīrji in 1960.

सवु को सारद सारद करइ, तिस कउ ग्रंत न कोउ लहइ।
जिरावर मुखह जु िएगाय वािए, सो सारद परावह परियािए।। २।।
ग्रठ दल कमल सरोवरु वासु, कासमीरपुर लियो निकासु।
हंस चढी कर लेखिए देइ, किव सघार सरसइ पमराेइ।। ३।।
सेत वस्त्र पदमवतीरा, करहं ग्रलाविश वार्जीह वीरा।
ग्रागम जािए। देहु बहुमती, पुराु दुइ जे परावइ सरसुती।। ४।।

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सरस कथा रसु उपजइ घराउ, निसुराह चिरतु पजूसह तराउ । संवतु चौदहसै हुई गए, ऊपर ग्रधिक ग्यारह भए ।। भादव दिन पंचइ सो सारु, स्वाति नक्षत्र सनीश्चर वारु ।। ११ ।।

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मइसामी कउ कीयउ वखाएा, तुम पजुन पायउ निरवाए। श्रगरवाल की मेरी जात, पुर ग्रगरीए मुहि उतपाति ।। ६६४ ।। सुवर्ग जराराी गुरावइ उर घरिउ, सा महाराज घरह ग्रवतरिउ। एरछ नगर वसंते जानि, सुगाउ चरित मइ रचिउ पुरासा ।। ६६५ ।। सावयलोग वसहि पुर मांहि, दह लक्षरा ते धर्म कराइ। दस रिस मानइ दुतिया मेंड, भावइ चितहं जिएोसरु देउ ।। ६६६ ।। एह चरित् जो वांचह कोइ. सो नर स्वर्ग देवता होइ। हलुवइ धर्म्म खपइ सो देव, मुकति वरंगिए। मांगइ एम्म ।। ६९७ ।। जो फुिए सुराह मनह घरिभाउ, असुम कर्म ते दूरिहि जाइ। श्रीर वलागाइ माणुसु कवगु, तिह कहु तूसइ देव परदवगु ।। ६६८ ।। ग्रह लिखि जो लिखियावइ साधु, सो सुर होइ महागुणराधु। जोर पढावड गुए। किउ निलंड, सो नर पावड कंचन भलंड।। ६६६ यह चरितु पुन्न भंडारु, जो वरु पढइ सु नर महसारु। तिह परिदमणु तुही फलदेइ, संपति पुत्रु ग्रवरु जसु होइ।। ७००।। हु वृधिही सा न जासी केम्वे, ग्रक्षर मातह गुराउ न भेउ। पंडित जराह नमूं कर जोडि, हीरा श्रधिक जरा लावहु खोडी ।। ७०१ ।। ।। इति परिदमग् चरित समाप्तः ।।

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4. BĀRAKHARI DOHĀ:—

This was composed by Mahācand, the pupil of Vīracanda. The time of the work is not given by the poet, but it appears that it was composed not later then the 16th Century. as one copy of the manuscript preserved in Āmer Śāstra Bhanḍār is of 1534 A. D. It is a spiritual work and deals with Ātmā, Parmātmā and the World. The total number of Dohas is 333. Some of the Dohās are as follows:—

सो दोहो अप्पारायहु, दोहा जीरा मुराहे। मुरा महयंदिरा भासियड, सुरा विरा चित घरेइ।। ६।।

कायहो सारउ एउ जिय, पंच महाग्रुवयाइ ।

ग्रलिउ कलेवर भारतह, जेहिंगा धरियइ ताइं।। ५।।

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खिंग खिंग खिज्जइ ग्राव तसु, गियडइ होइ कयंतु : तिह्वगा थक्कड मोहियऊ, में में जीउ भगतु ।।१६।।

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ते कि देवें कि गुरेगा, धम्मेगा य कि तेगा।

ग्रप्पह चित्तह गिम्मलऊ, पच्चउ होइ गा जेगा।। १५७।।

मे परियगु मे धण्गु धगु, मे सुग्र मे दाराइ।।

इउ चितंतह जीव तुहुं, गय मव कोजि सयाइ।।२६५।।

5 SĪKHĀ MAŅĪ RĀSA:—

The Rāsa was composed by Bhatṭāraka Sakalkīrti (15th Century). The poet imparts some teachings to his readers for remaining pure at heart and kind towards all human beings:

जीव दया दृढ पालीइए, मन कोमल कीजि।
ग्राप सरीखा जीव सबै, मन मांहि धरीजइ।।

The poet also requests that one should not disturb others while perfoming religious duties

धर्म करतां न वारीइए, निव परिनंदीजि । परगुरा ढांकी ग्राप तराां, गुरा निव वोलीजइ ।।

In the end of the work the poet mentions his name only:

वैराग रे पालीइ सार, राग टालु सकलकीर्ति कहिए। जे मिए ए रास ज सार- सीखा मिए पढते लहिए।। (इति सीखामिए।रास समाप्त)

6. ĀDINĀTHA STAVAN:-

The stavan was composed by 'Mehau' in the year 1442 A. D. The Ādinātha Stavan is a historical work written in praise of Lard Ādinātha of Raṇakpur or Rāṇāpur temple. The temple is situated in Pali district of RāJasthān and six miles of Sādaḍi. The temple was constructed in the year 1439 A. D. ¹ The poet describes the art of temple minutely:

छउमुख शिखर त्रिभूमइं बार, मूलनायक जिए करूं जुहार । त्रिहु भूमी त्रिमुवन दीपतुं, त्रिमुवन दीपक नाम घरन्तु ॥ ४६ ॥ दंड कलस सोवन मइं सोहइ, जोग्रंत तिहुग्रए। मन मोहइ । तेज पुंज भलहलइ ग्रपार, जाएगे तिहुंग्रए। लाछि भंडार ॥४१॥

In the end of the Stavan, the poet mentions his name, and gives the date of the work:

संवत चउदनवारावइ: १४६६: ए युरि काती मासे। मेहउ कहइ मइंस्तवन कीउं मिन रंगि लासे।। ४८॥ इति श्री रागापुरमंडगा श्री ग्रादिनाथ स्तवन संपूर्ण।।

7. TĪRATHA MĀLĀ STAVAN:—

This is a description of most of the holy places called Tīrthas. The Tīrtha mālā is a Hindī work writtan by mehau who wrote Ādinātha Stavan (1442 A. D.'. The date of completion of the work is not given but it appears that it was also composed near about 1442 A. D. The manuscript was copied in the year 1472 A D. There are 89 stanzas on Ābu, Sirohī, Jālaur, Viśālpur, Kumbhānā, Rāṇāpur (Ranakpur), Campā, Mathurā, and Raj Grihi. The manuscript is incomplete as the first thirty one

^{1.} History of the Jodhpur State part 1 p. 66.

stanzas are not there. It is preserved in the Grantha Bhandar of Khandelwal Jaina Mandir, Udaipur. The last two verses of the work are as follows:—

बला श्रंगिरो पीम्रा घाट, पुण्य तग्गी वहती की घी वाट।

मेहड कहिड मुगति नड ठाम, सदा लिड तीथंकर नाम।। ८८।।
तीरय ग्रजी घगां छइ मला, मइं किह्या दीठा ते तला।

तीरयमाल मग्गड समलड, जाइ पाप घट हुइ निरमलड।। ८६।।

इति तीरयमाला स्तवनं समाप्तं।

संवत् १५२६ वर्षे माह विद ६ दिने गुक्रवारे लिखितं।

8. RĀYA HAMMIRADE CAUPAI :--

This is a historical work written by the poet Bhādau. It was composed in the year 1481 A. D. It describes the life story of Rājā Hammīra and the famous battle fought between him and the Emperor Allāuddin. It is a Rājasthānī work which describes every event in a very lucid way. The total number of verses is 326. The last two are as follows:—

रामायण महामारथ जिसज, हमीरायण वीतज तिसज ।
पढइ गुणइ संमलइ पुराण, तीयां पुरुषां हुइ गंगा स्नान ।।
दूहा गाहा वस्तु चजपही, तिनिसइ इनवीसा हुई ।
पनरहसइ ग्रढतीसइ सही, काती सुदि सातिम सोम दिने कही ।।३२५।।
सकल लोक राजा रंजनी, किलजुगि कथा नवीनी पनी ।
भणतां दुख दालिद सहु टलइ, माडज कहइ मो ग्रफला फलइ ।।३२६।।
संवत् १६३६ वर्षे मादवा विद १० रिववारे लीखतं विजकीरित मलधार गर्छ ।

9. DÜNGARA KĪ BĀVANĪ :—

The Bāvanī was written by the poet Padma Nābha. As this was composed on the request of Sanghapati Dūngar, hence it is named after his name. It is in Rājasthānī language and was completed by the poet in 1486 A. D. The work deals with various subjects of general nature and contains 54 stanzas in Savaiyā metre. The manuscript is housed in Sāstra Bhanḍār of Tholiā Jaina temple, Jaipur. This was copied in the year 1656 A. D. by Sāh Rūpsī. It is also called by the name of AKŚARA BĀVANI. In the last two stanzas, the poet gives the date of completion of the work and his short description which is as follows:—

मंबत् पंदरहचालसं १५४३ तीनि ग्रागला मुदिताय

मुकल पित द्वादसी वार रिवियर स मंगल ।

पूवपाढ नित्तव जोग हरापंगा हरिपगल ।

शुम लगन शुम घड़ी ।

शुम वेला शुम वचन पदमनाम कि कवरै,

वावनी लंद डूंगर मूमगा वसुवा मंडिल विस्तरह ।।५३।।

हुँवड हरिप ग्रागांद उछाहनु मंदिर ।

स जनमिन उलास पिमुगा मंजिव गिरिकंदरि ।

दिन चिंड ज्यमु प्रताप तेज तिहु मुवगा प्रगसै ।

ससि करंति संसारि सिस जेम विकासइ मासै ।

श्रम पुत्र लिछ सुख संपदा कह्य पदम जयवंत हुय ।

श्री डूंगर वालह देय वरु जयवंतड जिह मेरु धुव ।।५४।।

10. SAKALA KĪRTI RĀSA:-

Sakalakīrti Rāsa is a historical work which describes the life of Bhattāraka Sakalkīrti and Bhuvan kirti who were the most famous Bhattārakas of the 15th Century. It was written by his pupil Sāmal either in his life time or just after his death. This is perhaps the first work in Hindi which describes the life of the Scholārs in detail. Sākal Kīrti was born in the year 1386 A. D. at ANAHALPUR. He was married when he was fourteen and renounced worldly life and became Jaina Sādhu in 1406 A. D. at the age of 20, He became Bhattāraka in 1435 A. D. Several places were visited by him. Thus this Rāsa is very important work in this respect. It has been discovered in one of the Grantha Bhandārs. of Udaipur Various works written by Sakalakīrti have also been mentioned in it Year and month for every event which eccured in the life of Bhattāraka Sakalakīrti is given in the Rāsa. Thus it is purely a historical work. The beginning and end of the work are given below:—

ग्रादि माग

वस्तु वंघ

श्रादि जिए।वर २ तए।इ उनकिम । श्रादि दिगम्बरुए श्रादि सयल संसार सुर्ए।इ ।। तीर्बकर श्रादि सयलइ एिवृत्ति मही मह्य सुर्ए।इ ।। छहं दरणए। श्रादि विडल जसु गृरा पुहृवि न पार ।। ते निसुगु भावि भवीय, जिमु हुइ सफल संसार ।। उविग-ग्रनिदिन सारदा देवि सेवि, सिंह गूरु पागि लागी । पामीय तासु पसाउ माइ, नरमल मत मागी ।। १ ।। किर सुंग्ररास उल्हास ग्रंगि ग्रति ग्रनोपम ग्रागी । गाईसुं श्रीमूलसंघि रंगि, गुरू जगत वलागी ।। २ ।।

श्रन्तिम भाग

ज्निगढ गुरू उपदेसिंइ, सिखर बंध श्रतिसव।

सिख ठाकर श्रदराज्यस्यघं रिज प्रासाद मांडी उए।।२०।।

मंडलिक राइ बहु मानी उ देश व देशिज व्यापीयु।

पीतलमइ श्रादिनाथ थिर थापीया ए।।२१।।

इम करणी दिन दिन सुब सेखि चहुँ दिसि हुइ देस विदेसि।

उपदेसि सुगुरु श्री भुवनकी रित तण इए।।२२।।

चिर न पुजा निम रिवचंद, चउविध संघ पूरिइ श्रानंद।

सुभगति सुवचिन किव सामल मण्डए।।२३।।

चउवीस जिग्णेसर प्रसादि श्रीभुवनकी रित नव नविल नारि।

जयवंता सकल संघ कल्याण करुए।।२४।। गण्धर।।

इति श्री मट्टारक श्रीसकलकी तिनु रास समाप्ताः

श्राविका बाई पूर्नाल पठनार्थं लिखापितं।।

11. HOLI RĀSA :-

This was composed by Brahma Jinadāsa, pupil of Bhaṭṭāraka Sakalakīrti. It describes briefly the story of Holi according to the Jaina belief. It is in Hindi and written in Caupai, Dūhā and Vastu Bandha metres. It is written in Rājasthānī in which several words of Gujarāti have been used. The manussript is preserved in the Grantha Bhanḍār of Terāpanthī temple, Jaipur. The end of the work is as follows:

ए कथा रस सांभली, समिकत पालुं सार।

मिथ्या मारिंग परिहर, जिम पांमु भव पार।। १४५।।

निकलंक धर्म छिरुयडं, जैन धर्म सिवशाल।

ते धर्म करुं माविभरचा, ग्रवर मिथ्यात निवार।। १४६।।

परीक्षा करूं ग्रति निर्मली, टालु सयल विचार।

समिकत पालुं निर्मलुं, जिम पांमु मुगति ग्रतिसार।। १४७।।

रास मनोहर २ कीवुं ग्रित चंग,
हौली तर्णु ग्रित दुरघर भेदाभेद वखांगा जागु ।
ए कथा रस सांभली, मनमांहि धर्म विचार ग्रांगु ।।
इस जांगी निष्चु करी, पालुं समिकत सार ।
त्रह्म जग्रदास कहिइसुं जिम पामुं भवपार ।। १४८ ।।
।। इति होलीरास समाप्त ।।

12. BUDHI PRAKĀŚA:-

Budhi Prakāśa was composed by the famous Hindi poet Delha, the father of Thakursi who was also a poet of the 16th Century. The work contains teachings for a lay man. The whole work is completed in 27 stanzas, out of which first fifteen stanzas are not traceable so far. The guṭakā No. 865 in which this work has been collected, contains only later half portion of the work. It was copied by Daśaratha Nigotiā. From half of the portion of the work only, it appears that it is a fine work and possesses a literary as well as linguistic beauty. The work is a very short one, so the whole portion is given below:—

भृखो पंथ न जाह सियालो, जीवा पंथ न जाह उन्हालो । सावगाी भादवै गाव न जाजे, ग्रासीजा मौ भीय न सौजे ।। १६ ।। ग्रग्रर चीतो किम नौहि खाजै, ग्रग्रर पीछाण्या की साथी न जाजै। जाय दिसावरि राती न सोजे, रोस न कीजे चालत पंथी ।। १७ ।। श्रवघरि न्हाय उतरी जे घाटो, कन्या न वेची गुरथ कै साटै। पहुंगी आयां आदर दीजे, आपगा सारु भगति करीजे। दान देव लखमी फल लीजे, जुनो होर न कपड लीजे ।। १८ ।। पढ़ न होय की सिही वेचाले, वचन घालि तुम जो राले। वीगाज न की जे ग्रास पराय, ग्रारमज्यों काम त्यों नीरवाहि ।। १६ ।। नितप्रति दान सदाहि दीजे, दूगा उपरि व्याज न लीजे। वरिही ए। राखी हीए। कूल नारी, सुकत उपाय संतोपा सारी ।। २० ।। वीगामै वीयड इंसि हसी साय, वीगासै वह ज परि घरि जांय। वीरासे पूत पछोकडी छांडी, विरासी गय गवाडो भीडी ।। २१ ।। वीगासे विगा ग्रसवार घोडो, वीगासे सेवग ग्राहर थोडो । वीग्। सी राजु मंत्री नी योडो, अजगील न वोल सिकुडी ।। २२ ।। वृद्धि होइ करि सो नर जीवो, मबीम के घरी पाणी न पीवे।

हरिषन कीजे जे बुढ्डी पाणी, ग्रणनीपने सुकाल न जाणी ॥ २३ ॥
मंत्र न कीजे हीयडो कुडी, सील वीठा नारी एा पहराय कुडी ।
ग्राँसी सीख सूणी री पुण्या, लाज न कीजे भागत कन्या ॥ २४ ॥
बाह्मण होय सवेद भणावी, श्रावक होय सग्रण ग्रथवा जीवे ।
वाण्या होय सविण्जि करावो, कायथ होई सलेखो भणावो ॥ २४ ॥
कुलमारग जु एा छंडी करमा, सगली सीख सुणोजे घरमा ।
वुधि—प्रगास पढीर वीचारे, वीरो न ग्रावे कदिह संह सारौ ॥ २६ ॥
ग्रैसी सीख सुणौ सहु कोय, कहता सुणता पुनी जु होय ।
कही देल्ह परषोत्तम युता, करी राज्य परीवार संज्ता ॥ २७ ॥
संवत् १६ ६ मिती पौष सुदी १० बुधीप्रगास समाप्ता ।
लि० पंडीढा युढा लीखायतं पंडीरासीघं जी ॥

13. NEMINĀTHA RĀSA:—

This is a work on the life of Lord Neminātha written by Ācārya Jinasena in 1494 A. D. in the city of Jāvacha. There are 93 stanzas in the work. The work is in Rājasthānī. The manuscript of Neminātha Rāsa is available in the Sāstra Bhandār of Badā Mandir Terapanthi, Jaipur. The style of describing the things is very simple. The beginning and the end of the work are as follows:—

श्रय श्री नेमीनाथरास लिख्यते।
सारद सामिशा मांगू माने, तुभ चलगो चित लागूं ध्याने।
श्रविरल श्रक्षर श्रालुदाने, मुभ मूरख मित श्राविसांनरे।
गाउं राजा रलीया मगारे, यादवना कुलमंडगा साररे।
नामि नेमीश्वर जाशाज्योरे, तसु गुंगा पुहुविन लामि पार रे।।
राजमती वरस्यडु रे, नवह मवंतर मांगीय भूत रे।
दशिम दुरधर तपलीड रे, श्राठ कमं चल भी श्राणु श्रंत रे।
मुगित रमिशा सुमन कीड रे, तहु नुनाम जपु जिंग सार रे।।

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श्रीयशकीरित सूरित सूरीश्वर कहीई, महीयिल महिमा पार न लहीई। ज्ञातरूप वरिस नितवाणी, सरस सकोमल अमीयस माणी। तास चलण चितलाई उरे, गाइउ एह अपूरव रास रे।। जिनसेन युगति करी रे, तेहना वयण तराउ वासरे।।

जा लिंग जलिति तवसी नीरे, जा लिंग अचल मेरि गिरि घीरे।
जा गर्गार्गांगिंग चंदिन सूर, तां लिंग रास रहू भर पूरि रे।
युगित सहित यादव तर्गा रे, भाव सिहत भर्गास भरतारि रे।।
तेहिन पुण्य होसि घर्गा रे, पाप तर्गा करिस परिहार रे।।
चंद्रवार्ग संवच्छर कीजि, पंचार्गा पुण्य पासि दीजि।
माघ सुदी पंचमी भर्गाजि, गुरूवारि सिद्ध योग जवीजिरे।।
जुवा घनुप रज्जिंग जार्गोइ के, तीर्थंकर वली कहीई सार रे।।
शान्तिनाथ तिहां सोलमुरे, कब्बुरास तेह भवगा मकार रे।।
इति श्री नेमिनाथरास श्राचार्य जिनसेन कृत समाप्त:।

14. BĀVANĪ:—

Chīhal was a famous Rājasthānī writer of the 16th Century. He completed his Panca Sahelī Gītā in the year 1518 A. D. Bavani is a newly discovered work of the poet. It contains 54 stanzas which includes several common topics for the interest of every layman. The manuscript of Bāvani is preserved in the Śāstra Bhanḍār of Jaina temple Tholiā Jaipur. It is in a guṭakā in which other works are also included. Bāvani is a work of high standard in Hindi. From the language and description it can be placed among high work of Hindī. It was completed in the year 1527 A. D. Some stanzas of the work are as follows:—

छाया तरवर पिह्य ग्राइ वहु लसइ विहंगम ।
जव लगु फल संपन्न रहइ तव लग इक संगम ।।
विह विस परी ग्रपथ पत्तफल जडइ निरंतर ।
खिगा इक तथ रहइ जाइं उिंड दिसिह दिसंतर ।।
छीहल कहइ द्रुम पंस्थि जिम मिंह मित्रायगु दरवलग ।
पर कज्ज न होइ वल्लहुउ ग्राप स्वारथ सयल जुग ।।२६।।

े पर कज्ज न होइ वल्लहुउ ग्राप स्वारथ सयल जुग ।।२६।।

से इर्प कुंडइ नीरि तिरड निंद महा ग्रलग जिल ।।
मरइ फुलकइ मारि सीसि घरि परवम टालइ ।
कुंपइ उंदरि पिह्य पकरि घरि कुंजर रालइ ।।
सींदरी देखि संकइ सदा विसहर कउ बलवट ग्रहइ ।
छीहल सुकवि जंपइ वयगा तिरया चरित्र न को लहइ ।।३३।।

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चउरासी ग्रागलइ सइ जु पंद्रह संवछर (१४५४)।
सुकल पच्य ग्रज्टमी मास कातिग गुरु वासरु।।
हृदय उपनी बुद्धि नाम गुरु कौ लीन्हउ ।
सारद पराइ पसाइ कवित्त संपूररा कीन्हउ ।।
नाल्हिंग वसि नाथू सुतनु ग्रगरवाल कुल प्रगट रिव ।
बावनि वसुधा विस्तरी किव कंकरा छीहल किव ।।५३।।

15. SANTOSA JAYA TILAKA:—

The Santosa Jaya Tilak was composed by the famous Rājasthānī poet Vūcarāja. It describes the devices of dissatisfaction and has been stated that satisfaction is the only source of happiness. It is in the form of a drama in which victory of satisfaction on greediness is shown. The poet completed the work in the year 1524 A.D. at Hisār. There are 123 stanzas of various metres. The manuscript was preserved in the Grantha Bhandār of Nagādī temple, Būndī.

Influence of Greediness

लोम विकटु करि कपटु ग्रमिटु रोसाइगु चडियउ।
लपटि दवटि नटि कुघटि भपटि भटि इव जगु मडियउ।
घरिए खंडि ब्रह्मांडि, गगिन पयालिहि घावइ।
मीन कुरंग मतंग भ्रिंग मातंग सतावइ।
जौ इंद मुिएाद फिएाद सुरचंद सूर संमुह ग्रड़इ।
उहु लडइ मुडइ खिग्रु गडवडइ, खिग्रु सुउट्ठि संमुह जुडइ।
जब सुलौभि इत्तउ वलु कीयउ, ग्रधिकु कप्टु तिन्ह जीयह दीयउ।
तव जिएउ नमतु लै चिति गिज्जिउ, राउ सतोषु इनह परि सिज्जिउ।११४।

The end of the work in which the date of completion is given is as follows:—

जब जित्तु दुसहु लोहु कीयउ तब चित्त मिक ग्रानंदे।
हूव निकट रजो गहगहियउ राउ संतोषु ।।११६।।
संतोषह जय तिलउ जिपड हिसार नयर मक्कार।
जे सुगहि भविय इक्क मिन, ते पावहि विद्य सुक्ख ।।१२०।।
संवित पनरइ इक्याग् भद्दि सिय पिक्ख पंचमी दिवसे।
सुक्कवारि स्वाति वृखे, जेउ तह जाग्गि वंभना मेगा ।।१२१।।

रडु=पढिह जे के सुद्ध माएिह ।

जे सिक्विह सुद्ध लिखाव, सुद्ध ध्यानि जे सुग्रिह मनु घरि ।

ते उत्तिम नरनारि ग्रमर सुक्त भोग विह बहुयरि ।।

यह संतोपह जयितलय जंपिउ विल्ह संभाइ ।

मंगलु चौविह संघ कहु करइ वीरु जिग्राराइ ।।१२३।।

।। इति संतोपजयतिलकु समाप्ता ।।छ।।

16. CETAN PUDGAL DHAMĀLA:-

This is an another work written by Vūcarājā, It is in old Hindi and describes the relation between Cetan (living being) and Pdgal (non-living being). The work also deals with various subjects such as merits of noble persons, benefits of good company, difficulties in worldly life etc. It has 136 verses of various metres. The work has been recently traced in the Śāstra Bhandār of Būndī. Some of the excellent verses of the work are as follows:—

भला भला सह को कहै, मरमू न जाएँ कोइ। काया खोई मीत रे, मला न किस ही होय । ७१। + जिम तरु श्रापस्य ब्पसहि, श्रवरह छांह कराइ। तिउ इसु काया संग ते, जीयडा मोखिहि जाए ॥७३॥ फ्लु मरइ परमलु जीवइ तिसु जागौ सह कोय। हंस चलइ काया रहइ, किवरु वरावरि होइ ॥ ६३॥ जिय विशु पुरुगलु ना रहे, कहिया आदि अनादि । छह खंड मोगे चक्कवै, काया के परसादि ।।६६॥ + यह संजम् श्रसिवर श्राणी, तिस ऊपरि पग् देहि । रे जिय मूट न जाराहा, इव व छू किव सीह्यहे हैं।।१२४।। रे चेतन तू तांवला जा जड तुम्ह संगि होय । जे मदु नाजिन गूजरी खीरू कहै सबु कौए 11१०६।।

चेतन तं नित ज्ञान मइ, यहु नित ग्रणुचि सरीर । घालि गवाया कुंम मंहि, गंगा केरा नीर ॥१०७॥

17. NEMI RĀJULA GĪTA OR NEMI CARITA:—

This work was written by Śrāvaka Cataru in Samvat 1571 (1514 A. D). He was the only son of Sirimala. He lived at Gwalior when Mahārājā Mānsingh was the Ruler. It is a short work describing the marriage event of Nemi and Rājula. The work contains 45 verses. The last portion of the work in which the date of completion and the poet's account is given, is as follows:—

श्रावग सीरीमलु श्ररु जसवंत, निहचै जिय धर्म धरंत।

चारु चलन भिव वंदतौ।

पुत्र एक ताके घर भयो, जनम नाउ चतरु तिन लियो।

जैन धर्म दिढु जीयह घरो।

नेमि चरित ताकै मन रहै, सुनि पुरानु उर गानौ कहै।।४३।।

मधि देसु सुख सयल निधान, गढ गोपाचलु उत्तिम ठानु।

एक सोवन की लंका जिसी।

तौंतर राउ सवल वरवीर, भूव वल श्रायु जु साहसधीर।

मानसिंह जग जानिये।

ताकै राज सुखी सब लोगु, राज समान कर्राह दिन मोगु।

जैन धर्म वहु विधि चलै।

श्रावग दिन ज करै पट कर्म, निहचै चितु लायै हि जिन धर्म।।४४।।

संवत पंद्रहसै दो गनौं, गुन गुनहतरि ता उपरि मनो।

मादौ विदि तिथि पंचमी वारु।

18. VIKRAMĀDITYA CARITA:—

The work deals with the life of King Vikramāditya who was famous for his justice. This was composed by Nayanambudhi—pupil of Vācak Harşa Samudra in the year 1523. A. D. The total number of the stanzas is 606. The poetry is an ordinary one. It is collected in a guṭakā of Jainn Mandir Terāpanthī, Jaipur. The beginning and the end of the work are follows:—

देवि सरसति २ प्रथम परामेवि । वीराा पुस्तक घारिसी, चडवि हंसि सुप्रसंसि चल्लइ। कासमीरपुर मंडवासिगी, देह नाग ग्रन्नाग पिल्लेइ ।। कवियगानी तु मालली, दिउ मुक्त बुधि विसाल । जिम विकम राजा तगाउ, कहउ प्रबंध रसाल ॥१॥

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संवत पनरहसइ ग्रासीइ: १४००:, ए चरित निसुणी हरसीयइ।
साहसीक जो होइ निसंक, कायर कपइ जे विल रंक ।।६०३।।
श्री उवएस गणांविर सूरि, चरण कमणा गुणा किरण प्रपूर ।
रयणथह प्रमु गुणा गणा भूरि, तसु अनुक्रमि संपइ सिद्धिसूरि ।।६०४
तेह नइ वाचक हर्पसमुद्र, जसु जस उज्वल खीर समुद्र ।
तसु विनेयवि नयांवुधि एह, रिचंड प्रवंन्ध निरिष तिणि त्येह ।।६०४
पंच दंड नामा सु चरित्र, देखी तेहनु ग्रंध विचित्र ।
तिणि विनोद चउपई रसाल, कीधी सुणता सुख विसाल ।।६०६

।। इति श्रीविकमादित्यनृपंचरित्रं समाप्तं।।

19. BALI BHADRA RĀSA:-

This is a short story on the life of Balıbhadra, also called Balrāma, the elder brother of Śri Krisna along with the burning of Dvārikā'due to curse of Dvīpāyana Rīṣi. This was composed by Brahma Yaśodhar in the year 1528 A. D. in the City of Skandhanagara. Brahma Yaśodhar was the pupil of Bhaṭṭāraka Vijay Kīrti who was also known by the name of Vijaysena, There are 189 verses in the Rāsa written in mainly Dūhā. Caupai. and Vastubandha metres. The language of the Rāsa is Rājasthānī, much influenced by Gujarātī. The work exists in the collection of Guṭakā of Śāstra Bhanḍār of Jaina temple, Udaipur. One manuscript of the work is also preserved in one of the Śastra Bhanḍār of Nainvā. The first manuscript was got written by Brahma Dharma wha was a great lover of the manuscripts in the 17th Century. In the end of the work, the poet has given his description in the following way:—

श्री रामसेन अनुकर्मि हुया, यणकीरति गुर जािंग ।
श्री विजयसेन पट थापीया, महिमा मेर समान ॥१८६॥
तास णिष्य इम उच्चरि, ब्रह्म यणीघर जेह ।
द्रुमंडल दरायर तिप, तांरहु रास चिर एह ॥१८७॥
संवत् पंनर पचासीइ, :१४८४: स्कंघनयर मकार ।
भवन अजित जिनवर तराी, ए गुरागाइ सार ॥१८८॥

After the curse of Dvīpāyana Rīṣi, the Dvāraka City was totally burnt. The poet describes the same in the following manner:—

सायर वाल्यु नयरी मांहि, तिप तेल जिम घडहड थाइ ।
नयर लोक ते किर विलाप, पूरव भवनुं प्रगट्युं पाप ।। दहा।
एक बलंता बुंबारव किर, बालक लेई एक नगरी फिरि ।
एक किहऊ गारु माइ, ए दुःख काया सह्यु न जाइ ।। ६०।।
एक मोह्या धन धरती घरि, एक लक्ष्मी रखवालां किर ।
क्षमा एक ग्रस्सस्स ग्राचिर, ऐके एक क्षमापन करी ।। ६१।।

20. MĀDHAVĀNALA PRABANDHA:-

Mādhavānala Prabandha was written by Ganpati son of Narsā, a non-Jaina poet, The story af Mādhavānala Prabandha is the famous love story of Mādhava and Kāmkandlā; on which several books are available. Ganpatī, the author of the book completed this in the year 1527 A. D. The whole of the Prabandha is written in Dohā metre and as such it increases the importance of the work. The total number of dohās is 2457.

The manuscript of the work is preserved in the Grantha Bhandar of Bunda. It is a manuscript written in the year 1596 A. D. by Laxmi Rāja for his pleasure as well as for the study of Muni Kalyān Gani. The beginning and of the work are as follows:—

श्रय मन्मय महाराज्ञे नमः ।। दूहा माधवानलना लिखीइ छइ क्रंग्रर कमला रित रमण, मयण महाभड नाम । प्रसाम ।।१।। पंकजि पूजि पय कमल, प्रथमय क्लं पूरावली, लक्ष चुरासी लोग्र । नर पन्नग स्र ब्रह्मा हरिहर कुसम शरि, जीराह जीता सोग्र ॥२॥ तेसवि सीजइ विहं गाउ चींतवइ, कर वि्ा कलि बांधी सहु, जिम करहा सुखि लाज ।।३।। सांमल ज्यो सिव सृष्टि नुहु, ए विरा ग्रावइ छेह । श्रादि उपायु एह ।।४॥ कारण विश्व बधारना,

नरसा सुत गरापित कहइ, ग्रंग थया ए ग्राठ । सूघइ स्वामिन शारदा, पोतइ दीधउ पाठ ॥

दीसइ दस गाऊं मही, दश गाऊं शरथान । नर्मदा. श्राम्नपद्र स्वस्थान दशगांऊ परिग वाह्मण भाट भला वसइ, व्यवहारी आ विशेषि । राजकूली रूंडी तिहां, छड़ लख त्रीसे उग्रशेन कुलि उग्रवल, रागाउ नाग नरेशं जा सायर नर्मद मही, तां चा चूलउ देश चत्र सभा चंदन तराउ, मभ कांइं लागउ वास। गरापति जंपड तउ करिज, पद केत ले प्रकाण कवि ज्ञातिइं कायस्य वड, वालि मइ विख्यात । वंघता, दीहय पुरुए पद पादह सात 11 वेद मुजंगम वागा शशि, विकम वरस विचार ं श्रावरानी सुदि सप्तमी, स्वाति मंगलवार 11 साध्य योग सूबउ हत्, वाणिज्य कर्ण विशेष पंचागनी, रवि ग्राशेप चउथडी परत्ए जगदीश्वरी. श्रानंदी ग्रारात्रि जयउ श्रोता वछली, तुंथाए त्रय मात्र 🖰

णुनल पक्षे तृतीया ३ तियौ भूमेवासरे श्री स्थंभतीर्थे पूज्य पंडित श्री हर्षकमलगिए। शिष्य पं लक्ष्मीराजेन लिखितमस्ति विनोदार्थे मुनि उदयक्तयाए।गिए। वाचनार्थम् ।।

21. NEMI NĀTHA RĀSA;—

The Rāsa was composed by Muni Punya Ratana in the year 1529 A. D. It deals with the life of Neminātha, the 22nd Jaina Tīrthankara. It is a small work consisting of only 69 stanzas. The beginning and the end of the manuscript are as follows:—

Beginning of the work:—

सारदा पंय प्रणामी करी, नेिम त्या गुरा हीइ घरेवि ।

राम मणु रलीया गराउ गुरा गरुवउ गाइ सुं संवेवि ।

हूं विलहारी जादव एक रस, उरज पीछउ वालि ।

ग्रिपराधन मह को कीयउ, काइ छोडइ नव योवन वाल ।।

सोरीपुर सोहामगाउ राजा समुद्र विजय नउ ठाम ।

शिवादेवी रागी तसु त्रगी, श्रनोप रूपइ रंम समान ।।

the end

संजम पाल्यं सातसङ्ग, वरस सहस नं पूरं चां ।

ग्रसाह सुदि श्राठमी मुकति, पहूं ता जिए।वर राय ।।६६।।

संवत पनर छियासिङ्ग, रास रचि ग्राए।। मन माङ् ।

राज गछ मंडए। तिलंड, गुरु श्री नंदिवर्द्ध न सुरिसु पसाङ् ।।६७।।

प्रह उठीनङ प्रएामीयङ्ग, श्री यादव मंडन गिरिनारि ।

मन वंछित फल ते लहङ्ग, हरिषङ् जोगी वर नर नारि ।।६८।।

समुद विजय तन गुए। निलंड, सेव करङ् जसु नर छंद ।

पुण्य रतन मुनिवर मराइ, श्री संघसुप्रसन नेमि जिए।दं ।।६९।।

॥ श्रीनेमिनाथरास समापता ॥

22. NALA DAMAYANTI CARITA:—

This was composed by Mānik Rāja in Samvat 1590 i. e. 1533A.D. It describes the famous story of Nala and Damayanti. The work contains 486 verses mainly in Dohā and Caupai metres. The manuscript has been housed in the Sāstra Bhanḍār of Terāpanthī temple, Jaipur. It is written in Rājasthānī language. The beginning of the work is as under:—

पहिलं शांति जिगांद निम, सरसित चित्त घरेसु ।
श्री दवदंती नं चरित, संबेपिह विरचेसु ॥१॥
जिगावर निज मुख मासिया, दान सील तपभाव ।
सिवह सील प्रसंशियइ, प्रगटं जासु प्रमाव ॥२॥
सीलइ सुर संपइ हुवइ, सीलइ पामइ मुख ।
सील पसाइ सिव टलइ, रोग सोग भय दुख ॥३॥
डाइगा साइगा निव छलइ, सीलह तगाइ प्रभाव ।
दानव भूत भुयंग मिह, भय हलाइ जाइ ॥४॥

23. BHAVIŞYADATTA RĀSA:—

This was composed by Vidyābhūṣaṇa pupil of Viśvasena Sūri of Kāṣṭhā Sangha. The poet completed the work in 1543 Â.D. at Sojat, a town in Pāli District. The work deals with the life of Bhaviṣya Datta a Jaina Śrāvaka whose life story is very popular among the Jaina poets, In this work also the poet describes the same story in a very simple style. The total number of the stanzas is 472 which are

in various metres. The manuscript was discovered in the Śāstra Bhandār of Terāpanthī Mandir (Badā) Jaipur. It was copied in 1586 A. D. The language of the work is Rājasthāni, but there is some influence of Gujarātī. The beginning of the work is as follows:—

ग्रों नमो वीतरागाय। भविष्यदत्तनोरास लिस्यते।
सकल जिनवर सकल जिनवर चरण वंदेवि ।
सिद्धह सूरीःवर नमुं उवज्भाय सामान्य यतिवर ।
गणधर चुवीसना जेह ग्रंग पूरव श्रुतघर ।।
सार बुद्धि द्यो सारदा प्रणमी चित्त घरेवि ।
भविष्यदत्त तरा मलु रास कहं संवेवि ।।१।।
विण्यसेन सूरिवर तरा, प्रणमी चरण पवित्र ।
विद्याभूपण इम कहि, रंचु रास सु चरित्र ।।२।।

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At the end, the poet gives his complete description, alongwith the date of completion of the work and place where it was composed:—

काष्ठासंघ नंदी तट गछ, विद्यागण विद्यामि स्वछ रामसेन वंस गुरा निला, धर्मसेन होग्रागर मला ॥५६॥ विमलसेन तस पाटि जाग, विज्ञालकीति हो स्रावुष स्राग्। तस पट्टोद्धर महामुनीश, विश्वसेन सूरिवर जगदीस ।।४७॥ शास्त्र तराषु मंडार, सर्व दिगंवरन् श्रृंगार विश्वसेन सूरी वर जाएा, गछ जेंह नी मानि ग्रागा तह तरा दासानुजदास, सूरि विद्याभूपरा जिनदाम ग्रािंग मन माहिंड उल्हास रचीयु रास सिरोमिंग रास 113211 महानयर सोजित्रा ठाम, त्यांसु पाण जिन वरेनु वाम मद्रपूरा जांति ग्रमिराम, नित नित करि धर्म ना काम 116011 संवत सोजिस श्रावरा मारा, णुक्ल पंचमी दिन उल्हास कहि विद्याभूसए। सरीण, रास ए नंद्र कोडि वरीस इति श्री विद्याभूषण 'सूरिणा कृतो ऽयं रासः समाप्तः ॥ बह्म श्री रांरा जी तत् शिष्य ब हीरानन्द जी नो पोबी छ ।।

24. RĀGAMĀLĀ or Kāsam Rasik Vilāsa:—

This is a Hindi work composed by Syāma Misrā on the principles of Rāgas and Rāginis. Syāma Misrā was a resident of Āgrā City but he wrote his work at Lahore in Samvat 1602 i. e. 1545 A. D., under the patronage of Kāsim Khān whom he praises in the work. He was the son of Caturbhuj Misrā. The manuscript was copied at Hindaun in 1692 A. D.

This is a very good work on Rāga ane Rāgini, some of which have been described in the work. They are as follows:—

Bhairon Rāga, Mālkośa Rāga, Hindolanā Rāga, Dīpak Rāga, Guṇākarī Rāgini, Rāma Kalī, Lalit Rāganī, Vilāvala Rāgini. Kāmod, Nata Kedāro, Āsāvarī, and Malhār etc.

Beginning

श्री गर्गोसाय नमः । श्रथ रागमाला ग्रंथ लिखते ।

दोहा:—जिहि के रूप न रेख कछु, नैनंनि देखें सव्व ।

निरमल नाम ग्रनन्त गुन, ग्रादि ग्रन्त ग्रर ग्रव्व ।।

श्रिडिल्ल:—प्रथम सरस्वती देव गर्गोग मनाय के ।

मिश्र सरोमन जान सुबुधि करि पायके ।।

कासमखांन मुजान कृपा किव पर करी ।

रागिन की माला करिवे को चित धरी ।।

दोहा:—सेरवखांन के वंस में, उपज्यो कासमखांन ।

निस दीपक ज्यों चन्द्रमां, दिन दीपक ज्यों मान ।

किव वरने छिव खाँन की, सो वरनी निह जाय ।।

कासम खांन सुजान की ग्रङ्ग रहि छिव छाय ।।

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The end of the work is as follows:-

देशकार सुर खरज ग्रिह, संपूरन सुविछार । वरषा रितु निस भ्रांत रहे, गाइ पांची नार ॥

हनमत मत्त संकेत जिहि, माषाकरि प्रकाश ।

नांव धरयो या ग्रंथ को, कासम रसिक विलास ।

राख दया सुन सहसकृत, भाषा कीनी जोर ।
पंडित पढे वनाय के, मूरख लावे खोर ।।
संवत् सौरह से वरप, उपर वीते दोइ ।
फागुन वुदी सनोदसी, सुनो गुनी जन कोई।
सोरठा

पोधी रची लाहोर, 'स्याम' आगरे नगर के । राजधाट है ठौर, पुत्र चतुरभुज मित्र के ।। इति रागमाला ग्रिथ, स्याम मिश्र कृत संपूरण ।।

संवत् १७४६ वर्षे सावरा सुदि १५ सोमवार पोथी सेरगढ प्रगने हिडोंगा का मैं साह गोरधन अग्रवाल की पोथी थे लिखी लिखत मौजाराम।

25. JĪVANDHAR RĀSA:--

It was composed by Tribhūvana Kīrti, pupil of Udai Sena. the rāsa deals with the life of Jīvandhar in a very simple way. It was composed in Kalpāvalli City in the year 1551 A. D. The manuscript has been discovered in the Grantha Bhandār of Terāpanthī temple, Jaipur and was copied in the year 1586 A. D., by Bhattāraka Viśva Bhūṣaṇa. The last two verses of the Rāsa in which place and date of completion and the poet's name have been meantioned, are as undder:—

कल्पवल्ली मक्तार संवछर सोल छहोतिर ।

रासु रच्युं मनोहार रिघ हयो श्री संघ घरि ॥५६०॥
श्री जीवंघर मुनि तप करी, पुहनु शिवपद ठाम ।

त्रिमुवनकीरित इम बीनिव देयो तह्य गुरा ग्राम ॥५६१॥

इति श्री जीवंघर रास ॥ ब्रह्म घना लखितं ॥

26. ROHIŅI VRATA RĀSO:—

This is a short story on Rohini Vrata written by Tulasi who was living in a Jaina temple of Pānīpat. This was composed in Sāmvat 1628 i. e. in the year 1571 A. D. The work is in the collection of Grantha Bhandār Tholiā Jaina temple, Jaipur. The last three stanzas of the poem are as follows:—

मुनि वंदिवि दिवा गही रोहिगा री अजिका व्रतयार । तप करि सो सुरगहि गई, कीजै री सुगाकरि व्रतसार ॥ रौहिगाि० ॥७२॥ पाणीपथ सुवस बसइ, तिस मैं री जिए मवन अनूप।
पंडित तुलसी तिह तिह वसै, कीएी री रासो जु अनूप।।रोहिएगि।।७३।।
रोहिएगी व्रत विधि कीजियै, कीजै री मन वच रुचलाइ।
तातै सिव सुख पाईए, सेवत री दु:ख दूर पलाइ।।रोहिएगी।।७४।।

27. HANUMATA RĀSA:-

This was written by Brahma Gyāna Sāgar, a famous writer of 16th century. It was completed in Samvat 1630 (1573 A.D.). The poet describes the story of Hanumāna in a very simple but literary manner. The manuscript was copied in the year 1593 A.D. It is housed in the Grantha Bhandār of Terāpanthī temple, Jaipur.

28. DAYĀ RĀSA:

It is a Hindī work of Bhattāraka Yasah kīrti pupil of Bhattāraka Guṇa Candra. It was composed in Samvat 1633 i. e. 1576 A. D. The work describes the life of a hero who practised non-violence. The total stanzas in the poem are 75. The language of the Rāsa is Rājasthānī. The manuscript of the work is in the collection of Grantha Bhandār of Jaina temple Bada Dhadā, Ajmer. The beginning and the end of the work are as follows:—

श्रीजिनदेव पर्णमं घरी भाउ, इंद फरिंगद नरिंद सुराउ। सुगुरु गरांत सु तर्णय प्ररामं , देवि, सरसइ पद रामं श्राउ। रासु दयारसु सिंउ मरांउ सेमुखी, हीपजइ किंपिउ उच्चरइ। दोसु न लिति सज्जन गुर्गी, खीरु ग्रुरु नीरु जिउ हंस सराउ। कइ धम्मु दयावह सेविजइ।।१।।

† † †
राउ जीवि भमेवि भमवंत, तासु होय गये कालि महंत ।
सहसुजी एकु सभद्दह मगाउ, अवर तेतीस संवरु सारु ।
दुजेष्ठं सुदि पंचमी सुम दिने, दयारस रासु संकुलजइ भाइ ।
एहुजी जीव वनइ मंगलु, संभवड सयाल जीवा वाह आनंदु ।
कइ धम्मदया वर सेविजउ ।।

ŚRĪPĀLA SOBHĀGI RĀSA:—

The Rāsa was written by Bhattāraka Vādi Candra in the year 1594 A. D. It is in Hindī and describes the life of Śrīpāla who was an emperor according to

the Jaina mythology. The scholar was the pupil of Prabhā Candra. The manuscript has been discovered in the Śāstra Bhandār of Khandelwāla Jaina temple, Udaipur. It was copied in the year 1696 A. D. at Udaipur. The end of the work is as follows:-

श्री मूलसंघ माहि उदयो दिवाकर, विद्यानंद विशाल जी । तास पट्ट गृह मल्ली सु भूपरा, वासी अमीय रसाल जी ।। तास पट लक्ष्मीचंद सूरि मोहि, मोहें भवियण मन्न जी। वीरचंद्र नाम ज जन जपि. तस जीव्यं धन धन्य जी ।। प्रगट तस अनुक्रमि जागुं, ज्ञानभपग ज्ञानवंत जी। तस पद कमल भ्रमर ग्रविचल, जस प्रभाचंद प्रभावंत जी।। मोहरा तस पार्ट उदयो वादिचंद गुरगाल जी । गीते जिरगे गायो. चक्रवर्ति श्रीपाल जी।। संवत सोल-एकावन वर्षे कीघोए परबंघ जी । भवियरा थिरमल करिने सुरा ज्यो, नित २ ए संवंघ जी ।। दान दीजि जिन पूजा कीजै, समिकत मनराखी जे जी। नवकार गणीयि सूत्र ज मणीये, ग्रसत्य निव माषी जे जी ।। लोभत्य जी जे ब्रह्म घरीजि सामल्यांन फल एह जी । ए गीत जे नरनारी स्एास्ये, अनेक मंगल तसगेह जी ।। संघपति धन जी सवाचने करी, कीघों एह विस्तार जी। केवली श्रीपाल पुत्र सहित तहा, नित नित करय जयकार जी ।।

इति श्रीविदेहक्षेत्रे श्रीपाल-सौमागी ग्राख्यानकथर्न मट्टारक श्रीवादीचंद्रविरिवते चतुर्थ परिच्छेदः संपूर्णः । विदेह क्षेत्र श्रीपाल सौमागी चक्रवर्ति हवो तेहनी कथा संपूर्णः ।

श्री संवत् १७५३ वर्षे मांगिसर णुदि ८ दिने रिववारे लिपिकृतं उदयपुर मध्ये लिखितं ।)
30. ARGALPURA JINA DEVA VANDANĀ:—

This is a description written by the poet Bhagwatī Dāsa of the Jaina temples situated at Āgrā. The work was composed in the year 1594 A. D. by him From the work, it appears that Āgrā remained the centre of Jainas from the very beginning of the city and during the time of poet there were a number of Jaina temples. The poet belonged to Delhi. This is a good description from the historical point of view. The manuscript of the work exists in the collection of the Bhaṭṭārkīya Śāstra Bhanḍār of Ajmer.

31. GURU CHAND:—

This is a small work written in the praise of his Guru (teacher) Bhattarka Vijay Kīrti by Bhattaraka Subha Candra (16th Century). He was the pupil of Bhattaraka Vijay Kīrti. It is in the collection of Sāstra Bhandar of Jaina temple Pātodī. In the end of the Chand the poet mentions the names of his previous Bhattarakas, which are as follows:—

यतिवरं वरनाथं मोक्षहसाथं करइ, परं ।

तुःखानलमेहं गत संदेहं सुहट वरं।।

साहा गांगातनयं करड विनयं शुद्ध गुरं।

शुभ वंसह जातं कुग्ररि मातं परम परं।।

साक्षादि सुबुद्धं जी कीइ शुद्धंदिलततमं।

सुर सेवत पायं भारितमायं मिथततमं।।
वंदितसुरचरणं भव्यहशरणं पट्टधरं।

विजयादिहि कीर्ति सोमहमृत्ति घम्मघुरं।।१०।।

सकलकीर्ति विख्यात जिनमत धम्मह मंडन ।

भवनकीर्ति तस्स पट्टि दुट्ठ मिथ्यातह खंडन ।।

तिहां यती तेणो श्रुंगार ज्ञानभूषण भट्टारक ।

करइ मिणावइ शास्त्र एह वहू भव्यहं तारक।।

जंपइ कवियण राय सूरि शुभचंद विचक्षण ।

भट्टारक श्राविजयकीर्ति सकल संघ मंगल करण ।।११॥

।। इति गृह छन्द समाप्ता ।।

^{32.} MAHĀVĪRA CHAND:—

This was also composed by Bhttaraka Subha Candra who was a scholar of 16th Century. The work deals with the life of Lord Mahavir and consists of only 27 stanzas. The work has been discovered in the Sastra Bhandar of Jaina temple Patodi, Jaipur. The last stanza of the work is as follows:—

सिद्धारय सुत सिद्धि वृद्धि वाछित वर दायक । प्रियकारिगो पर पुत्र सप्त हस्तोन्नत कायक ।। द्वासप्तित वर वर्ष, श्रायु सिहांक सु मंडित । चामीकर वर वर्ग शरगा गोत्तम यती पंडित ।।

गमं दोषं दूपरा रहित शुद्ध गर्म कल्यारा कररा।

शुमचंद्र सूरि सेवित सदा पुहिव पाप पंकह हररा।।२७।।

।। इति महावीर छन्द समाप्तं।।

33. TATVASĀRA DŪḤĀ:--

It is an another work of Bhattārak Śubha Candra, pupil of Vijaya Kīrti whose name has been mentioned by him in the last stanza of his work. He was a great scholar of Samskrit and Hindī literature. Tatavasāra Dūhā describes the main principles about Ātmā, God or Parmātmā and Mokśa. The work was composed at the request of Dulha whom he mentioned in some of the Dohās. Date of composition of the work is not given. There are 91 dūhās in the Tatavasāra. The manuscript has been discovered in the Jaina Tholiā temple of Jaipur. In the beginning the poet describes the soul as follows:—

समयसार रस सांमलो, रेसम रिव श्री सिमसार ।
समयसार सुख सिद्धना, सीिक सुबख विचार ।।१।।
श्रप्पा श्रप्प श्रापुमुं रे, श्रापण हेित श्राप ।
श्राप निमित्तं श्रापणो, ध्यान रिहत सन्ताप ।।२।।
च्यार प्राण श्रीणित सदा रे, निश्चय न्यान वियाण ।
सत्ता सुख वर वोधिम, चेतना चुथ प्राण ।।३।।
च्यार प्राण व्यवहार थी, रे दश दीिसण्ह भेद ।
इंदिय वल उस्सास सु, श्रायु त्रणा वहु छेद ।।४।।

End of the work is as follows:-

सांत शिवकर २ ज्ञान निज भाव।

गुद्ध चिंदानंद चींततो मूको माया मोह गेह देहए।

सिद्ध तर्गा सुखिज मलहरिह, श्रात्मा भावि शुभ एहए।।

श्री विजयकोत्ति गुरु मिन घरी, ध्याउं शुद्ध चिद्रूप।

मट्टारक श्री शुभचंद्र मिल था तु शुद्ध सरूप।।६१।।

।। इति तत्वसार दोहा।।

34. BĀVANĪ:—

The Bavani exists in the Grantha Bhandar of Nagadi temple, Bundi. The correct name of the work should have been the 'Barah Khari' as the stanzas

are in the Alphabetical order. There are 44 stanzas while a Bāvanī should contain 52 stanzas. The name of the author is not mentioned but from the language of the work, it appears to have been composed in the 16th Century. It touches several subjects but it is mainly on ethics. Some of the verses are as follows:—

कका अकहु कहतु किउ आवै, अकहु कहे कछु सोभगु पावै । जैं कहु अकहु छोडि करि रहिए, तो कम्म काटि केवलु सुखु लहियो ।।१।। कका किउ मधुकर दुखु पाया, सिस विकाश संकुच निहं आया। सूर उदोत कवलु विगसावै, नि:छुटै भवर वहुरि कत आवै ।।२।।

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हा हा हलहर चक्क हर, हय गय रहिह रगित्य ।

इगा निंह कोई गा थिरु रह्या, हंसु ग्रकेल पित्य ।।४२।।

हा हा हउ किसक नहीं, मेरा है निंह कोइ ।

जो ग्रजरामरु वंमु परु सो ग्रप्पाग जोइ ।।४३।।

ग्रमांदि निधने द्रव्ये, हेयोपादेय वस्तुनः ।

ग्रक्षर मध्यातु कि ज्ञेयं कथितं ब्रह्म वेदिम ।।४४।।

।। इति वावनी समाप्त ।।

35. NEMINĀTHA GĪTA:—

The Gīta was written by Brahma Yaśodhara in praise of Lord Neminātha, the 22nd Tīrthankara. Brahma Yaśodhara was pupil of Vijay Kīrti who remained on Bhaṭṭāraka Gādī from the year 1525 to 1560 A. D. From the date of Vijay-Kīrti it may be said that this work belongs to the 16th Century.

It is a short work, having 69 stanzas written in Rāga Gaudī. The language of the work is Rājasthānī. In the end of the work, the author mentions his name and also that of Yasah Kīrti under whose patronage the Gīta was composed. The work has deen discovered in the Grantha Bhandār of Nainvā. The last two stanzas of the work are as under:—

श्री यसकीरित सु पसाउलि ब्रह्म यसोधर भिण्सार । चलग् न छीडउ स्वामी, तह्म तगा भवचा दुःख निवार ॥६८॥ भग्सि जे नर सांमलि रे, धन धन ते अवतार । नव निधि तस घर उपजि, ते तरिस संसार ॥६९॥

36. LAGHU SĪTĀ SATU:-

It was composed by Bhagvatī Dāsa. In this work, the character of Sītā has been depicted in a nice manner. The poet composed in 1627 A. D. a Brihad Sītā Satu but as it was a lengthy work and could not be made attractive so another small work was composed by the name "LAGHU SĪTĀ SATU" in the year 1630 A. D. in Śāhadarā, Delhi.

इन्द्रपुरी सम सिहरदिपुरी, मानवरूव ग्रमरद्युति दुरी ।

ग्रग्रवाल श्रावक धनवंत, जिनवर भिवत करें समकंत ।

तहं किव ग्राइ मगोतीदासु, सीता सतु मिनयो पूनि ग्रासु ।

वहु विस्तरुं ग्ररु छंद घनेरा, पढत प्रेम बाढई चित केरा ।

एक दिवस पूरन ह्वं नाहीं, ग्रित ग्रिमलाप रही मन माहीं ।

दोहा:—िर्तिह कारण लघुसतु करचा, देस चौपई भास ।

छद जूभ सबु छांडिकइ, राखि बारह मास ।।

सोरठा:—संवतु मुणहु सुजान, सोलहसइस सतासियइ ।

चैत गुकल तिथिदान, भरगी सिस दिन सौभयो ।।

The description of twelve months and dialogues between Sītā and Mandodarī are excellent. It is a very good work of Hindī literature:—

तव वोलइ मंदोदरी रानी, रुति ग्रपाढ घन घट छइ रानी । पीय गए ते फिर घर ग्रावा, पामर नर नित मन्दिर छावा । लविह पपीहे दादुर मोरा, हियरा उमग घरत निह मोरा । वादर उमिह रहे चौपासा, तिय पिय विनु लिहि उसन उसासा।।

37. RĀJĀVALĪ-DOHĀ:-

It is a historical work, which describes the history of Delhi emperors from Samvat 829 V. S. (772 A. D.). It was written by the poet Bhagwatī Dāsa who was himsef a Delhi citizen. The poet was a great scholar of Hindī and Apabhrainšā and he wrote several works in both the languages. A guṭakā containing more than 40 works written by the poet himself is preserved in the Ajmer Grantha Bhandār. Rājāvalī is also in the collection with othes works. It is purely a historical work and describes the names of each emperor, how long he ruled and what happened after him. It contains 67 Dohās. Emperor Śāhjahān is the last whose description is given. Some of the verses are given below:—

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छपइयाः—बारहसय चालीस ग्रधिक नव संवत गइया ।
चैतमासि गुरुवारि दिवस तमतो वर्सि मइया ॥
ग्राए पवर पठाण देस पुरि भया भगाया ।
राय पिथोरा जाति करिउ दिल्लो कुरवाणा ॥
पणामास दिवस दस सात लहु तेरह घडिय वरिस रतन ।
गोरी सो साह सहावदी, राजु वरिउ जगमाहि जतन ॥
तीन मास तेरह दिवस दोय वरिस मिलि ताहि ।
पंद्रह घडी वियाण थिति रहे समसदी साहि ॥
वरिस वीस रस मास छह ग्रवर घडी सगवीस ।
सात दिवस जुत जािण यहु सित कुतवदी ईस ॥

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तीन विरस प्णमास दिवस वाईस गए जह ।
पद्रह घडी मिलाइ साहि मए मीर मुगल तह ।।
बावर विसमइ कु धीरु धिर धरा लइ जिनि ।
तासु हमाउ नंदु राजु दस विरस किया तिनि ।।
चउमास विरस तेरह घडी रुद्ध सितत थिति जानिए।
इउ किवसु मगवती उच्चरइ जगमित सुजस बखानिये।।
पंद्रह सइ रु सतानुवइ जेठि सुकुल थिति वारिस ।
सेत साहि पुगु राजु लिय प्रगट सूरि जरु जासि ।। ।। ।।

तिहि सुत साह सहावदी, राजु करइ घर लोइ ।
किव सु भगोती दुउ लवइ, ब्राउ चिराउसु होइ ।।५६।।
साहिजहान सु प्रकटमुवि न्याय नीति तुं तासु ।
भवन कमल रिव हिरउ पहरु दिन द्विति जोति प्रकासु ।।६६।।
सोलहसइ संग सीहसु संवति जानिए

जेठि निजल सिय गासि बुधहु मिन ग्रानिए ।। ग्रगरवाल जिन भवनि पुरी सिहर दि मली (दिल्ली) परुहा कवि सु मगौतीदास मनी राजावली ॥६७॥

॥ इति राजावलि ॥

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38. NEMĪŠVARA VIVĀHLO:-

The work was composed in 1634 A. D. in the city of Kotāh by Khetasī, a Hindī poet of the 17th Century. It deals with mainly marriage of Lord Neminātha who at the time of wedding dropped his idea of marriage and went to the Jungle for leading the life of a Jaina monk. Vivāhlo is a very good poem of Hindī. The Alankāras used in the poem are simple but interesting. The whole of the poem is composed in Dohā and Soraṭhā metres. The manuscript is in the Śāstra Bhandār of Jaina temple Fatehpur (Sekhāwatī) It is dated 1736 A. D. Beginninā of the work:—

ग्रथ नेमोनाथ जी का विवाहलो लिख्यते ।

दोहरा:—सरस्वित स्वामिन वीनऊ, सदगुरु लागो पाइ ।

श्री नेमिकुमार विवाहलो, व्ही सुनौ मन लाइ ।।१।।

जैन पुराण जु मैं सुन्यो, तोरण हुवो वियोगु ।

श्री नेमिकुमार वैरागियौ, परियन तिज लीयी जोगु ।।२।।

सोरिठ देस सुहावनो, राजा जादौराइ ।

इंद्रपुरी सम द्वारिका, रिच धनंजय ग्राइ ।।३।।

ग्रवतरसी जहां जग गुरु, होइसी दोइ कल्याण ।

मंगल महोछे वहु कीयो, सुरपित दे सनमान ।।४।।

Date of completion:—

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नर नारी पढ़ पढ़ाय, ते मन वंछित पाने । जैनागम जिहि विधि सुनीयो, कर जोर खेतसी मनियो। सोरहसै इक्यानने, सावन मासि विचारी। कोटो केणरि खानि को पढ़ो सुनो नरनारी।। सहस बुद्धि सुरगुरु कहे, सतमुख सुनिये सोइ। नेमि जिनंदकुमार की महिमा वरनी न जाइ।। बुधजन होसी मित करो, तुम बुधि चतुर सुजान।। मतिसारू वर्णन करो, श्रुतसागर नहि पार।।

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39. PĀRŚVANĀTHA RĀSA:—

The Rāsa was composed by Srī Kapūr Canda in the year 1640 A. D. He belonged to Ānandpur Nagar where Jaswant Singh was the king. The Rāsa

deals with the the life of Lord Pārsvanātha, the twentythird Tīrthankara. It is written in simple Rājsthānī language containing poetic beauty. The work is completed in 166 stanzas. The manuscript is preserved in the Sāstra Bhanḍār of Caudhari's temple Mālpurā (Tonk). The author was the pupil of Guṇa Candra in the time of Nemi Cand. The manuscript was written by Śrāvikā Pārvatī, pupil of Rātanai in the year 1665 A. D. In the end of the work the poet gives his detailed account date of completion and name of the place where he composed this work:—

श्रीमुलजी संघ बह सरस्वति गिछ भयो जी मुनिवर वहु चारित स्वच्छ । तह श्री नेमिचंद गछपति भयो, तास के पाट जिम सोमै जी भारा। श्री जसकीरति मृनिपति भयो, जाएौ जी तर्क ग्रति सास्त्र पुराए।।१४६।। तास को शिष्य मूनि ग्रधिक प्रवीन, पंच महाव्रतस्यो नित लीन। चारित घरै. व्यंजन कमल विकासन चंद। तेरह विधि ज्ञानगी इम जिसी म्रति भलोमे, मुनिवर प्रगट सुमि श्री गुराचंद ॥१६०॥ तासु त्र सिप तसु पंडित कपुरजी चंद, कीयो रास चितिधरिवि म्रानंद। जिएा गुरा वहु मुभ ग्रल्प जी मति, जहि विधि देख्याजी शास्त्र पुराए। बुध देखि को मित हंसै, तैसी जी विधि में कियो जी बखाए।।१६१।। सौलासे सत्ताग्वे मासि वैसाखि, पंचमी तिथि सुम उजल पाखि। श्राद्रा भलो, बार वृहस्पति श्रधिक प्रधान। नाम रास कियो वामा सुत तराो, स्वामीजी पारसनाथ कै थानि ॥१६२॥ भ्रहो देस को राजा जी जाति राठौड, सकलजी छत्री याकै सिर मोड। जसवंतसिंह तसु तराो, तास भ्रानंदपुर नगर प्रधान। पौिंगा छतीस लीला करैं, सौमै जी जैसे हो इन्द्र विमान ॥१६३॥ सौमै जी तहा जिंगा मवगा उत्तंग, मंडप वेदी जी ग्रधिक स्रभंग। जिएां तए। विव सौमै मला जो नर बंदे जी मन वच काइ। दुल क्लेश न संचरै, तीस घरा नव निधि थिति पाइ।।१६४।। वसै जी तहां ग्रधिक महाजन लोक, खरचै जी द्रव्य नित भौगवे मोग। जिएा चरएाा जी पूजा रचै, दान सुपात्रा जी दिहि वहु भाइ। देव जिमि निति लीला करै, मौगवे सुख निज पुण्य पसाइ।।१६४।। छंद कडा मला एकसौ जािगः छयासिठ ग्रधिक तिह तगु जी प्रमािग । भाव जी भेद जो त्याका कह्या, स्वामी विनती एक कर तुम्ह दास।

स्वामी हमने हो देयो जी स्वर्ग निवास, तुम्ह तो जी मुक्ति कामग्गी वरी। श्रीपास जिगोसुर पाइ नमो ॥१६६॥

इति श्री पार्श्वनाथ को रास संपुरण समाप्ता लिखित वाई रत्नाइ की सिपि श्राविका पारवती गोत्र गंगवालि संवत् १७२२ मीती जेठ विद ४।

40. JYOTISA SĀRA:--

Jyotisa Sāra is a work on astronomy as it is clear from the name. It is in Hindī and was written by Śri Kripā Rāma in Samvat 1742 (1685 A. D.). The subject has been dealt with in a very simple language so that it can easily be understood even by a lay man. The material has been taken from the main books on this subject. The poet lived in Śāhjahānpur. His father was Tulā Rāma. This has been written in a Guṭakā of Pāṭodi Śāstra Bhanḍār, Jaipur. Two pieces from the work are as follows:—

केंदरियो चौथो भवन सग्तम दसमों जान।
पंचम ग्रह नोमों भवन येह त्रिकोगा वखान।।६।।
तीजो पसटम ग्यारमो, ग्रर दसमों वर लेग्व।
इनको उपचै कहत हैं सबै ग्रंथ में देखि।।७।।

वरप लग्यो जा ग्रंम मैं सोई दिन चितवारि।

वा दिन उतनी घडी जुपल बीते लग्न विचारि।।४०।।

लगन लिखे ते गिरह जो जा घर बैठो श्राय।

ता घर के फल सुफल को कीजे मिन बताय।।४१।।

।। इति श्री किव कियाराम कृत मापा जोतिमसार संपूर्ण।

41. VAŅIKA PRĪYĀ:—

Vanika Prīyā is a Hindi work written on business methods by Sukha-Deva in Samvat 1717 (1660 A. D.). How the business should be conducted and at what time a particular commodity should be sold or purchased, with whom cash business or credit business should be handled, all such topics are dealt with in the book, This is a very good book on business method in Hindī. It was copied in the year 1798 (1741 A. D.) at Chirāri by Lāla Udait. The manuscript has boen discovered in the Sāstra Bhandār of Jaina temple Badhi Cand, Jaipur. In the beginning of the work, the poet gives his account as follows:—

सिधि श्री गनेसाय नमः । श्री सरुसते नमः । श्री परमगुरभे नमः । श्री जानुकी वलभाइ नमः । ग्रथ वनक-प्रिया लिखते । गुर गंनै कहै सुखदेव, श्री सरसुती बतायो भेव । विनका प्रिया विनक वंचियो, दिया उजिहार हाथ के दयो ।।१॥ गोला पूरव पच विसे, वारि विहारीदास । तिनके सुत सुखदेव किंह, विनक प्रिया प्रकाश ।।२॥ विनकिन को विनक प्रिया, महसारि को हेत । ग्रादि ग्रंत श्रोता सुनो, मतौ मंत्र सो देत ।।३॥ माह मास कातक करे संवत् सोघे साठ । मते याह के जो चलैं, कवहूँ नै ग्रावे घाट ॥४॥ फागुन देव दल जुग्राइयो, सकल वस्तु सुरपित चाइयो । चार मास इहि रहै ग्राइ, पुन पताल सुता हो जाइ ॥४॥ The instructions given to the businessmen are as follows:—

ग्राघी ऊपर ग्राघी तरें, ग्राघी परहथ ग्राघी घरें।

ग्रेंसो साहु साहुपति करें, देस विवंजत भूख निह मरें ।।१८४।।

हिस कुल्हरिया पास हर खुरपा कहत किसान ।

पस पंछी वरहाम मैं, हाथ न हथै किसान ।।

हाथ न हथै किसान, ताहि कौद निह दीजै ।

ग्रमुम कर्म जेह करें, सो कागद लिख लीजें।।

संपत लें दरवार वैठि लें विलसे रिसया।

वहुत विवुचै हम सुनं संगति के हिसया।।१८४।।

In the end, the poet gave the date of completion of the work and before that he finished the work with his humble request:—

प्रथ कि की प्रार्थना विचार—
मंत्री मती न लाइयौ, जौ मतु मानै कोई।
वारह मास सुम दसा ग्रसुम ग्रलनौ होई।
देखी सुनी सौ में कही, वाचि सीख सुन लेऊ।
ऐता को किवता कहै, करै करमनु यारी होऊ।।३१३।।
जिहि जागा जैसी कही, तैसी कही न होत।
तो पहि कहिये करमगित, दोस न दोजैं मोह।।३१४।।

सुल संपति दारिद्र दु:ल, होत ग्रजीतो ग्रानि ।

दीन मान की मानी, परे न कबहूँ जानि ।।३१४।।

चौपई:—ग्रंट परे ते सिवि संचैरे, केहिर परित पाई अनुसरै ।

कुमितिहि मित्र लाम पर हरों, मतो ग्रकाल चक्र वाहिरो ।।३१६।।
दोहा:—देखी सूनी सौ मैं कही, मंत्री जो मितमान ।

जानि जाति जौन सक्को, ग्रागे की जान ।।३१७।।

मतौ हथियार हाथु ले जोर, साहू ग्रुमकरन करत करु मोर ।

मारग हान हरम्रन मानियो, दिल कुसाद हरख न वानियो ।।३१८।।

किव सोथे संवत सर साठ, इहि मत चले परे निह घाट ।

इिह मित ग्रंन्तु पेट मिर खाई, ऐही चीर न को यह राई ।।३१६।।

विनक प्रिया में सुम ग्रसुम, सबही गयो वताई ।

जिहि जैसी नीको लगै, तैसी कीजै जाई ।।३२०।।

सत्रह से सत्रह वरस संवत सर के नाम ।

किव करता मुखदेव किह लेखक माया राम ।।३२१।।

इति वनिकप्रिया संपूर्न समाप्ता । मादो सुदि १२ सुकवासरे संवत् १८४४ मुकामु छिरारि, लिखेनं लाला उदेत सीव राजमान छिरारी वाके जो वाचै ताको राम राम ।

> लिखी जयाकत देखकैं, कहि उदेत प्रधाम, जो वाँचै श्रवननि सुनो, ताको मीर प्रनाम।।

42. DOHĀ ŚATAKA:—

It is also called 'UPDESA DOHĀ' composed by Hemrāja II, who was born in Sāngāner (Jaipur) in the year 1668 A. D. It deals with various topics of general interest. It is written in a very simple and plain language with on literary flourish. The manuscript is in the Grantha Bhandār of Jain temple Tholiā. Jaipur in a Guṭakā number 636. There are 101 Dohās in the work. Some of the verses are given below:—

दिव्य दृिष्ट परकासि जिहि, जान्यो जगत ग्रसेस ।

निसप्रेही निरदुंद निति, बंदौ त्रिविय गनेस ॥१॥

कुपय जयपि यापत मुपथ, निसप्रेही निरगंथ ।

ऐसे गुरु दिनकर सरिस, प्रगट करत सिवपंथ ॥२॥

गनपति हृदय विलासिनी, पार न लहै सुरेस ।

सारद पद निम के कहो, दोहा हितोपदेस ॥३॥

त्रातम सरिता सलिल जहं, संजम सील बेखानि । तहां करिह मंजन सुधी, पहुंचै पद निरवािए।।।४।।

4 छंद मत्त ग्रर ग्ररथ की, जहां ग्रसुधता होइ। तहां सुकवि श्रवलौकि कै, करहुं सुद्ध सब कोइ।।६७।। उपनी सांगानेरि को, ग्रब कामां गढ वास । तहां हेम दोहा रचै, स्वपर बुद्धि परकास ॥६५॥ कीरतिसिध सुवस जहां कांमांगढ श्रपने खग विल विस किए, दुर्जन जितेक देस ।।६६।। पचीस सतहसैर को. वरनै संवत सार । कातिक स्दि तिथि पंचमी, पूरन मयो विचार ॥१००॥ एक सी, कीये दोहा एक ग्रागरे जो हित दे वांचै पढ़ै. ता उर वधै ग्रनंद ।।१०१।।

।। इती हेमराज कृत दोहा संपूर्ण ।।

43. MĀNJHĀ:--

This is a new work of the famous Jaina poet Banārsī dāsa of the 17th Century. It is an ethical work which puts before us the real picture of the world. The date of the work is not given but the name of the poet comes thrice in the work. The manuscript is housed in the Sāstra Bhandār of Jaina temple Bādhī Canda-Jaipur. Some of the verses of the work are as follows:—

माया मोह के तू मतवाला, तू विषया विषधारी ।
राग दोष पयी वस ठगी, चार कषायन मारी।।
कुरम कुंटव दीफा ही पाथी, मात तात सुत नारी ।
कहत दास बनारसी अल्प सुख कारने ती नर भव बाजी हारी।।१।।
नर मोहार अकारज कीनो, समभन खेल्यो पासा ।
मानुष जनम अमोलक हीरा, हार गवायी खासा।।
चलो होय दुखदा माजन, छाड सुखादी आसा।
दसै दृष्टा ते मिलन टुहेला, नर भव गत विच वासा।।२।।

त्रंत न कोइ सहाइ तेरे, तू क्यां पच पच मरदा।

नरक निगीद दु:ख सिर पर, ग्राह मकमूलन मरदा।।

जनम जनम विच होय विकाना, हथ विषया दे वरदा।

केइ ऊमर मरवेसी भौंदू, मेरी मेरी करदा।।१२।।

गज सुखमाल सुगी जिनवागी, सकल विषय तिन त्यागी।

नमस्कार कर नेमिनाथ को, मए मसान विरागी।।

तन वसुरा ग्रामन वच काया, सिघा पद लव लागी।

कहत दास वनारसी, ग्रंत गढ केवली मुनंत बुव के रागी।।१३।।

।। इति श्री मांभा समाप्ता ।।

44. ADHYĀTMA SAWAĪYĀ:-

Adhyātma Sawaiyā is a work of Rūpacandra, an Ādhyātmik poet of 17th Century. The work has been discovered in the Jaina Śāstra Bhandār of Tholiā Jaina temple, Jaipur. This is a good work on Adhyātma or spiritualism. The description is full of life. Not only with the point of language it is also work of high standard as regards literary beauty and manner of description. The poet describes Ātmā, Parmātmā and the world in a very simple method. It contains 102 stanzas of Sawaiyā, Kundaliā and Chappaya metres. Date of composition is not given in the work. The first Sawaiyā in which importance of soul is described, is as follows:—

श्रनुभो श्रभ्यास मैं, निवास सुघ चेतन को,

श्रनुभो सरूप सुघ वीव को प्रकास है।

श्रनुभो श्रनूप उपरहत श्रनंत ग्यान,

श्रनुभौ श्रनीत त्याग ग्यान सुख रास है।।

श्रनुभौ श्रपार सार श्राप हां को श्राप जाने,

श्रापहो मैं व्याप दीसै जामें जड नास है।

श्रनुभौ श्ररूप है सरूप चिदानंद चंद,

श्रनुभौ श्रतीत श्राठ कमस्यों श्रफास है।।१॥

In one of the stanza the poet describes the various qualities of noble persons in the following way:—

परि श्रीगन परिहरें घरें गुनवंत गुन सोई। चित्त कोमल नित रहे, भूठ जाके नहीं कोई। सित वचन मुख कहे, स्राप गुन स्राप न वोलै।
सुगुरु वचन परतीत चित्त थै कवै न डोलै।
वोलै सुबैन परिनिष्ठ सुन ईष्ट वैन सब सुख करै।
कहै चंद वसत जग फंद मैं एइसुभाव सजन धरै।।

In the words of the poet, foolish persons are just reverse of the noble persons:—

जाकै जीव परपंच रंच मुख नाहि सजन कौ।

महा मोह मद लीन, फिरै भूलो निज धन को।

ग्रवगुन गिह गुन तजै, भजै कायर ज्यो रन मैं।

सूर पनौ निज नहीं, कही जानपनो निन मै।

जिन मैं न भेद परि ग्रापको सो ग्रजान पसु सारिखो।

हिरदे हरण निज परख विन ए मूं दन को पारखो।

45. GORĀ BĀDAL KATHĀ:—

Gorā Bādal Kathā is a historical work of Jaṭmal Nāhar who was a 17th Century poet. His father Dharmsi was the resident of Lāhore. The work deals with the story of Gorā and Bādal, famous warriors of Udajpur and who fought with emperor Allāuddin for the sake of King Ratan Sena of Udaipur who fell in love with Padmini and brought her from Ceylon. This is a Rājasthānī work. The story of the work has been borrowed from Jāyasi's PADMĀVATA which was written in 16th A. D. Century. Gorā Bādal Kathā was completed in the year 1623 A. D. The manuscript is preserved in the Grantha Bhandār of Fatehpur. The poet mentioned his name and also his father's name in one of the stanza:—

जिहां राज राज प्रलीखान गाजी खान न सरनंद । मिरदार सकल पठागा माही ज्यू नखेत्र मै चंद ।। घरसी को नंद जटमन, जात नाहर ताम । जिन कही कथा बनाय करि बिच संबला मै ठान ।।

The work is full of Vīra Rasa but in some places where the beauty of Padmini has been described, ŚRANGĀRA RASA" has also been used. Raghava describes the qualities of Padmini's beauty before Allāuddin as under:—

पद्मावित मुखचंद पदम सम गंथ जु आवंति । भवर भमे चहुं ओर देख; सुर असुर लुभावित ।। त्रं गुल सत्तरि परिचा सातउ वसिंह सुंदरि नारि ।

चौडी चौव दाहो होय इसी चीत लाय सवारि ।।

मृग नयन वयन कोकिल सरस केहर लंकी कामिनी ।

ग्रथर लाल हींरा दसन, मोह धन गज गामिनि ।।२६।

पदमावति के गुन सुने चढी चूप चीतलाय ।

विन देख्या पदमावति जनम इक्यारथ जाय ।।३०।।

The manuscript of the work was written in the year 1830 A. D. by Sewaka Jogidasa on the request of Sravaka Rama Narain. The beginning and end of the work are as follows:—

श्री ग्रोशायनमः । ग्रथ गौरा वादल की कथा लिख्यते ।। चरण कमल चित लायके, समरु सारद माय । करिहं कया वनाय कैरि, प्रणामु सद्गृह पाय ॥१॥ दीप दीपा सिरे, भरथ खंड मभार। नगर वढी चित्तींड है, ग्राठ कोस विसतार ॥२॥ तिहां रानी रतनसैन राज राजान । नव नकीसी कूना करै, श्रगडी मरद चौहारा ॥३॥ नगर बड़ी चित्तीड है, गढ़नी पर ही बंक। नाहि नामें तिहां साह को, करै जुराज निसंक ॥४॥ + संवत सौलासै श्रसीये समै, फागुन पुन्य मास । वीरा र संगार रस, कहीयो जटमल तास ॥२११॥ मवै ताहि ग्रडौल ग्रवचल सुखी सव लोय । उद्याह ग्रानंद होत घर घर दु:खी नाहित कोय ।।२१२।। जिहां राज राजे . ग्रलीखान गाजी खानन सरनंद । मिरदार सकल पठाए। माही ज्यू नखेत्र मै चंद ।। घरमसी को नंद जटमल जात नाहर जिन कही कथा बनाय करि विच संवला मै ठाम ॥२१३॥ कहतां ग्रानंद ऊपजै, सुनता ग्रानंद जो कोड़ कहें गुन जना, तो वहु हरपित लोय ।।२१४।। चालीस सहस घोडा मुवा, दोय सहस सिरदार । एक लाख मुवा ब्रादमी, हायी ब्राठ हजार ॥२१४॥

मारचा मुगल पठाएा, दोढ लाख दफतर चढ्या । श्रोर बोहोत दीया जाएा, जहां तृगा लीना मुख में ।।२१६।। सा कौ हुवो चीलौड में, चौड कीयो जंग । दाद फुरमाइ साह, तब कहै हीह तुव रंग।।२१७।।

इति गोरा बादल की कथा संपूर्ण । संवत् १८८६ का मिति ग्रासाढ शुदि १४ रविवासरे लिखंत सेवग जोगीदास लीखायंत श्रावग रामनाराण सुत बालचंद ।

46. DHARMA PARĪKŚĀ:—

It was translated into Hindi prose by Dasaratha Nigotiā in Samvat 1718 i. e. in 1661 A. D. The original work which was composed by Amitigati is in Samskrit. The author has tried to translate each word of Samskrit in easy Hindi prose.

The manuscript belongs to the Sastra Bhandar of Jaina temple Bada Mandir, Jaipur. The language of the work is Rajasthani. The beginning and the end of the work are as follows:—

मंगलाचरण

श्रीमान् कहतां श्रीमा विराजमान । यदीयः कहतां जिहःको बीघमय । प्रदीपः कहतां केवल ज्ञानं रूपी दीवो । जिहि दीप किर नमस्व त्रय तुंगशालं कहतां पावन तीन संपन्नी ऊंचो छै शाल कोटजिहि की अभी जगत । लौक सम्पद्धो गृहे घर तिहि घरने समंततो कहतां सर्वया प्रकारि । उद्योतयते कहतां उद्योतित कियो ह्वं ज्यहां तीर्थकर देवाः ते तीर्थंकर देवा नः ग्रस्माकं कहतां म्हांको श्रेये कहता विभूति कै ग्रीय मवतु कहतां होऊ ।

मानार्थ-असी जुज्ञान सम्पन्ना दीवा करि तीन लोक सम्पन्नो घर उद्योतित कियो छै ज्यांह के तीर्थंकर के स्वार्थ कर के स्वार्थ कर के नमस्कार की यो आगे सिद्धाने करसी ।

श्री विक्रम पायिव राजा ने सर्तेतरि वरसे ग्रिधिक हजारे वरसे गया । यहिः शास्त्र ग्रन्यमत ने निपैधि करि श्री जिनेन्द्र-धर्म ग्रमृत करि युक्त शास्त्र संपूर्ण । अस्ति स्वार्थ करि श्री जिनेन्द्र-धर्म ग्रमृत करि युक्त शास्त्र संपूर्ण ।

दोहाः —साह श्री हेमराज सुत, मातु हमीर दे जािण ।

कुल निगोत श्रावक धर्म, दशरथ तज्ञ बखािण ॥१॥

संवत् सतरासे सही, श्रष्टादश ग्रधिकाय ।

फांगुणतम एकादशी, पूरण मई सुमाय ॥२॥

धर्मपरीक्षा वचनिका, सुदरदास सहाय। साधर्मी जन समिक ते, दणरथ कृत चितलाय।।

इति श्री ग्रमितिगति कृत घमं परीक्षा मूल तिह की वचितका वालबोधानाम ग्रपर नाम ताल्पर्यार्थी टीका तज्ञ धर्मार्थी दशरथेन कृता समाप्ता विशति एक परिच्छेदः संपूर्णः ।

47. HARIVANŚA PURĀŅA BHĀṢĀ:—

This is a Rājasthānī prose translation of Harivansa Purāṇa written by Ācārya Jinasena in Saṃskrit. It is a Jaina Mahābhārata. The translation is in Rājasthānī prose. The manuscript was copied in Saṃvāt 1671 (1614 A. D.). This shows that the work was written prior to the 17th Century. Such a good and voluminous work in Rājasthānī prose has not been found so far. Two pieces of the prose are given below:—

पत्र सं० १६८

तिगा ग्रजोध्या नउ हेमरथ राजा राजपाल छइं। तेह राजा नइ धारणी रागी छइ। तेह नउ
माव धम्मं उपिर घगाउ छइं। तेहनी कुपि तें कुंमर पठाइ उपनों। तेहनउ नाम बुधुकीत जागिवउ।
ते पुगु कुमर जाखे सिस समान छइं। इमकरतां ते कुमर जोवन भिरया। तिवारइं पिताइं तेहनइ राज
मार थाप्यउ। तिवारइं तेग जाना सुख भोगवता काल ग्रति कमइं छइं। वली जिगा धम्मं घगु
करइं छइं।

पत्र संख्या ३७१

नागश्री जे नरक गई थी। तेहनी कथा सामलउं। तिग्गी नरक माहि थी। जे जीवनी किलयउं। पछइं मरी रोइ सप्पं मयउ। संयभूरमिंगा द्वीपा माहि पछइं ते तिहां पाप करिवा लागउ। पछई बलो तिहां थको मरगा पाम्यो। बीजै नरक गई तिहां तिन सागर ग्रायु मोग वी छेदन भेदनतापन दुःख मोगवी। बली तिहां थको ते निकलियउं। ते जीव पछइं चम्पा नगरी चांडाल नइ घरि पुत्री उपनी तेहा निच कुल श्रवतारु पाम्यउं। पछइं ते एक बन माहि तिहां उत्तर वीग्गीवा लागी।

48. HINDI COMMENTARY ON BHAKTAMĀRA STOTRA:— 😘

There are several commentaries available on the famous Bhaktāmara Stotra. They are in Samskrit as well as in Hindī. A translation in Hindī poem written by Hemrāja is also available and is already famous. But commentary written in Hindī prose by Hemrāja (17th Century) was not available so far and this has been discovered in the Mahāvīra Grantha Bhandār of Būndī. An example of Hindī prose is as follows:—

किलं श्रहमिपतं प्रथमं जिनेद्रं स्तोध्ये किलाह निश्चय करि श्रहमिप मै भी जु हों मानतुंग नाम भाचार्य सो तं प्रथमं जिनेद्रं सी जु हो प्रथम जिनेन्द्र श्रीग्रादिनाथ ताहि स्तोष्ये स्तवूंगा । कहांकरि स्तोत्र करोंगो । जिनपाद युगं सम्यक् प्रणम्य जिन जु हैं भगवान तिनि को जु पद जुग दोई चरण कमल ताहि सम्यक् मांति मन वचन काया करि प्रणम्य नमस्कार करि कै कैसो है भगवान को चरण द्वय मन्तामर प्रणतमौलिमिणप्रभाणां उद्यौतकं भिन्तवंत जु है श्रमर देवता तिनिकी प्रणत नम्रीमूत जु है मौलि मुकुट तिन विषे जु है मिए। तिनिकी जु प्रभा तिनिका उद्योतक उद्योतक है। यद्यपि देव मुकुटनिका उद्योत कौटि सूर्यवत् है तथापि भगवान के चरण नख की दीप्ति आगै वै मुकुट प्रभा रहित हो है तांतै मगवान को चरण द्वय उनका उद्योतक है। बहुरि कैसी है चरण द्वय दलित पाप तमो वितान दिलत दूरि कियो है पाप रूप तम ग्रन्थकार ताको वितान समूह जाने। वहुरि कैसी है चरण द्वय युगादी भव जले पततां जनानां म्रालंबनं युगादौ चतुर्थं काल की ग्रादि विपे भव जले संसार समुद्र जल विषे पततां पडे जुहै। जनानां मनुष्य तिनकी ग्रालवनं ग्रालवन है जिहाज समान है तं कं सो ग्रादिनाथ कीन है जाको स्तोत्र मैं करौगौ स्तोत्रैः य सुरलौकनाथैः स्तुतः स्तोत्रैः स्तोत्र हुं करियः जो श्रीग्रादिनाथ सुरलोक नाथै सुरलोक देवे लौक के नाथ इन्द्र तिनि करि संस्तुत स्तूयमान मया कैसे है इन्द्र सकल वाङ्मय तत्वोवघादुद्भूत बुद्धि पट्निः सकल समस्त जु हैं वाङ्मय दशांग तिनका जु तत्व स्वरूप तिसका जु वोध ज्ञान तातै उद्भूत उत्पन्न जु है प्रकट बुद्धि ता करि पट्मि: प्रवीगा है वे स्तोत्र कैसे हैं जिन करि स्तुति करी जगत्रिय उदारै: मर्थ की गम्भीरता करि श्रीष्ठ है।।२।।

The last Dohā of the work in which the author mentions his name runs as under:—

अन्तिमः—भवतामर टीका को सदा पढे सुनै जो कोइ। हेमराज सिव सुख लहै तस मन वंछित होइ।

।। इति श्री भवतामर स्तोत्र टीका समाप्तम् ।।

49. NĀSAĶĒTA PURĀŅA:—

Nāsaketa purāṇa of Nāsketopākhyāna is a very interesting and popular story. The original story is in Saṃskrit which was translated into Hindi prose by Nanda Dāsa for his students. The date of compositian of the work is not given but it appears that it is a work of 17th Century A. D. The language of the work is not literary but it is described in a very simple language. Sadal Misra's NĀSIKETOPĀKHYĀŅ, which was written in the 19th Century has the influence of Nand Dāsa's work. One example of Hindi prose from Sadal Misra's Nāsiketopākhyān is given below:—

इस प्रकार से निसकेत मुनियम की पूरी सहित नरक का वर्णन कर फिर जौन जॉन कर्म किए से जो मोग होता है सो सब ऋषियों को सुनाने लगे कि गौ, ब्राह्मण, माता, पिता, मित्र, बालक, स्त्री, स्वामी, वृद्ध, गृरु इनका जो वध करते है वो भूठी साक्षी भरते, भूठे ही कर्म में दिन रात लगे रहते हैं।

Hindi Sākitya ka Itihāsa P. 422

One example from the book:-

गुसाईजी येक कैया तुमसो कहु। जो प्राणी या पाछ चोरी करत हैं तीन को प्रसन कहैत है। श्रीर कोई वेद पुराण की पौथी मै। श्रर गुण मुसै गुण मटै गुण भेद होई सो प्राणी काछवा की जौणी पावत है। श्रीर पैरा यौ सुत कु पास कैर तो कीरै प्राणी काछवा की जोणी पावत है।

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The work belongs to the Grantha Bhandar of Jaina temple Badhīcanda, Jaipur. The work completes in 74 pages. The last portion of the text is as under:—

या कथा श्रादी श्रंती सो कही है। सहसकीती की टीका है। नंददासजी श्रापणा सीख को मापा करी मुगाइ है सो या कथा पुनी बीच है सो प्राणी समंत है। ताको कीलाग होत है। सबीधान रहत है।

इति श्री नासकेत पुराण संमसत री रवीसंभादे नासकेतु कथा संपुरण । लीखतं कालुराम राजोरा छाजुराम का बेटा । ते वाचें तीन राम राम वंच । मी० चेत बुदी १० संवत् १७८६ श्रामरी महाराजा श्री सवाई जैसंगजी वैस य वरम दोई हुआ तलवाणी मै ज श्रमल महाराजा श्री श्रणंदरामजी को ।

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50. ALANKĀRA MĀLĀ:—

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This is a Hindî work on Alankāra Šāstra. It was composed by Sūrat Misra in the year 1709 A. D. The manuscript is in the collection of Jaina Grantha Bhandār of Jaisalmer. This is a very simple book on this subject. The poet lived in Āgrā and was a Kanaujia Brahmin by caste. The last portion of the work in which the poet gives his own account and the date of the work is as follows:—

श्रलंकारमाला करी, सूरत मन सुख दाय । वरनत चूक परी लखी, लीजे सुकवि वनाय ॥४८॥ सूरतिमश्र कर्नाजिया, नगर श्रागरे वास । रच्यो ग्रन्थ तिह भूपन, नवल विवेक विलास ॥४६॥ संवत् सतरहर्मं वरस, छासठ सावन मास ।
सुरगुर सुद एकादशी, कीनो ग्रन्थ प्रकास ॥५०॥
ग्रलकारमाला जु यह, पढं सुनै चितलाय ।
बुद्धि समा वर वीनती, ताहि देत हरिराय ॥५१॥

इति श्री सूरतिमश्र विरचिते ग्रलकारमाला संपूर्ण। ग्राहडसर मध्ये।

51. BHAŢŢĀRAKA PATTĀVALI:—

This is a detailed account of Bhattaraka Ksemendra Kīrti beginning from Samvat 1697 to 1756 (1640 to 1699 A. D.) written in Hindī prose. The manuscript is preserved in the Sāstra Bhandār of Sambhava Nātha Jaina temple, Udaipur. The description begins with Bhattāraka Devendra Kīrti who breathed his last in Samvat 1730. (1673 A. D.) His pupil Pandit Ksema who afterwards became Bhattāraka by name of Ksemendra Kīrti was born in Samvat 1697. (1640 A. D.) At the age of seven he took some vows from Bhattāraka Devendra Kīrti. It gives the full account of Ksema Kīrti where he was born, who were his parents, with whom he read, when he became Brahamacārī and Bhattāraka, in which places he travelled and in which villages and towns he finished his rainy season. Every event of his life has been described in detail. It begins as under:—

श्री जिनाय नम: संवत् १६६७ वर्षे मागंशीर्ष सुदी ३ शुक्रे पंडित क्षेमानु जन्म भीलौडा नगरे साहा खातु ग्रा वाई गांगवाई गृहै। संवत् १७०४ वर्षे वैशाख सुदि १ दिनै ग्राचार्य श्री देवेन्द्रकीर्ति पासि पंडित क्षेमो मरावा रह्यो पाछि संवत् १७१३ वर्षे फागुरा सुदि ३ दिने श्री शलुंवर नगर मध्ये मट्टारक श्री देवेन्द्रकीर्ति योग्य जीगीव पं० क्षेमानि ग्ररापुत्रत दीक्षा दीधी त्याहां दोसी मेहा सुत जीवा जगा गीवा शंख जीएगो श्री विव प्रतिष्ठा करीनि ग्रंजिल भल्यौ। ब्रह्म क्षेमा एहवुं नाम धरीनि मट्टारक देवेन्द्रकीर्तिय स्विशिष्यं करीनि पासि वर्ष १४ राखीन पट्टयोग्य जागोनि सकल शास्त्रना उपदेश दीवा।



APPENDIX. 1

Some of the Important

-: JAĪNA GRANTHA BHANDĀRS SITUATED OUTSIDE RĀJASTHĀN:-

| S. No. | Name of the Gran | ntha Bhandār | | Place |
|-------------|-------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|-----------|
| 1. | Saraswatī Bhavan | Digambar Jain Mandi | r Masjid Khazoor. | Delhi |
| | | D. Jaina Naya Mandi | _ | Delhi |
| | -do- | D. Jaina Mandir | Setha Kūcā | Delhi |
| 4. | do | do | Dharampurā | Delhi |
| 5 5. | Vīra Sewā Mandir | | 1 | Delhi |
| | | D. Jaina Mandir Rikh | abdāsaii | Delhi |
| | do | do | Karolbagh | Delhi |
| | -do- | do | Bedawādā' | Delhi |
| | -do- | do | Subzimandi | Delhi |
| | -do- | do | | Pānīpat |
| | -do- | do | | Sonipat |
| | Grantha Bhandar | j , ' | , | Rohtak |
| | -do- | —do— | Moti Katla, | Agra |
| | —do— | —do— | Belanganj | 22 |
| | _do_ | -do- | Gudadi Mansūrk | |
| 16. | , | do | Kachari Ghāt | ** |
| 17. | -do- | _do_ | Namak ki Mandi | . , 59 |
| | —do— | -do- | Rājāmandi | , 29 |
| 19. | -do- | -do- | Dhūliā Ganja | *** |
| 20. | Grantha Bhandar | D. Jāina Mandir, Nāi l | ki Mandi, | ,, |
| 21. | | Dharma Laxmi Gyāna | | " |
| 22. | | D. Jaina Pancāyatī Ma | | Aligarh |
| 23. | -do- | do | | Itāwāh |
| 24. | -do- | do | | Khurjā |
| 25, | do | do | | Bārābanki |
| 26. | do | do | | Mainpuri |
| 27. | Grantha Bhandar I | D. Jaina Pancāyatī Mand | dir | Alīganja |
| 28. | —do— | do | Sa Sa | hāranapur |
| 29 | do | do | | Firozābād |
| 30. | Grantha Bhandar I | Digambar Jaina Mandir | Balat-Kārgaņa, | Karanja |
| 31. | -do- | Sena Gaņa | | —do— |
| 32. | Grantha Bhanda Pa | ncāyatī Mandir, | , | - do- |
| 33. | Amar Granthalaya | Tukoganja | • • | Indore |
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| S. No. Name of the Grantha Bhandar | Place |
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| 34. Grantha Bhandar, D. Jaina Mandir, Hanuman | tallā. Jabbalpur |
| 35. —do — D. Jaina Pancayatī Mandir, | |
| 36. —do— ——do— 1-1112 entre | Katni |
| 37. Grantha Bhandar D. Jaina Parsvanatha Mand | ir Khandvā |
| 38. —do— D. Jaina Mandir, | Gaurjhamar |
| 39. —do— ,. Pancāyatī Mandir, | Chhindawārā |
| 40. —do— D. jaina Mandir, | Tīkamgarh. |
| 41. —do— —do— | Narsinghpura |
| · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · | Panagar (Devari M. P.) |
| 43. —do— D. Jaina Mandir | Bamora |
| 44. —do— —do— | Binā |
| 45. —do— Pancāyatī Mandir | Sāgar |
| 46. Digambar Bhaṭṭārkiya Bhanḍār | Gwālior |
| 47. Grantha Bhandar Digambar Pancayati Mandir | —do— |
| 48. —do— D. Jaina temple | Gunā |
| 49. —do— —do— | Canderī |
| 50. —do— —do— | Chaprā |
| 51do Badā Mandîr | Calcutta |
| 52. —do— Purāni Bēdi | —do— |
| 53. Muni Vijay Sāstra Bhandār | Calcutta |
| 54. Vijay Nemi Sūrīśvar Gyāna Bhandār (Swetan | mbar) Ahmedabad |
| 55. Vijay Sidhi-dodo ,, | >> |
| 56. Delāno Bhandār (Cancala Bhāi Bhandār) ,, | . ,,, |
| 57. Hans Vijay Manuscript Library ,, | , |
| 58. Mohanlal Manuscript Library | · · · |
| 59. Vardhamāna Pustakālaya " | 22 |
| 60. Megh Vijay SāstraSangrah " | 2) |
| 61. Kusumamunio Bhandār | ,, |
| 62. Vira Vijay Gyāna Bhandār | 20 4 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 |
| 63. Dayā Vimala Gyāna Bnandār " | |
| 64 Nemi Sāgar Upāsraya Bhandār ., | ,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,, |
| 65. Uttam Bhāi Dharmasālino Bhandār | 22 - 7 - Au |
| 66. Vimala Gachā Upāsaraya Bhandār " | 27 |
| 67. Jaina Saraswatī Bhawan | ,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,, |
| 68. Gyāna Vardhaka Pustakālaya | ,, |
| 69. Vijay Nemiśvara Gyāns Bhandār " | Khambhat |
| 70. Santi Natha Gyana Bhandar | " |
| 71. Jaina Śālā Gyāna Bhandār " 72. Subodh Pustakālaya " | 99 |
| Januarya Subodii Pustakalaya | 22 24 25 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 |

| s. No. | Name of the Grantha Bhandar | | Place |
|--------|---|---------------|---------------|
| 73. | Gyāna Vimal Sūri Bhandār | (Swetāmbar) | Khambhat |
| 74. | Muni Lāl Yatīno Bhandār | 99 | ** |
| 75. | Bhaunyara Pādśno Bhandār | ,, | " |
| 76. | Nītivijay Bhandār | ** | ,, |
| 77. | Hari Sāgar Gyāna Bhandar | > > | ** |
| 78. | Shyāma Lāl Jaina Bhandār | ,, | " |
| 79. | Bhagwan Dasa Jyotisa Bhandar | ,, | ** |
| 80. | Sānghavī Pādāno Bhandār | >> | Pāṭan |
| 81. | Foflia Vāda Bhandār | ,, | 71 |
| 82. | Vakhatji Sūri Bhandār | ,, | • • |
| 83. | Vadi Pārśvanātha Bhandār | ,, | 19 |
| 84. | Agalisūri Bhandār | ** | 77 |
| 85. | Bhabha Pada Bhandar | " | ** |
| 86. | Sāgar Upāsaraya Bhandār | >7 | ** |
| 87. | Makā Modi Bhandār | ** | ,, |
| 88. | Vastā Mānek Bhandār | ** | ** |
| - | Khartarvāsi Bhandar | ,, | ** |
| | Mahalaxmi padā Bhandār | » | ** |
| 91. | Advasi Pādā Bhandār | ,, | ** |
| 92. | | ,, | ** |
| 93. | 2 2 | 3 9 | 77 |
| 94. | Hemcandrācārya Sabhā Bhandār |) ; | 7) |
| | Jainānanda Pustakālaya | ** | Sūrat |
| 96. | Mohanlālji Gyāna Bhanḍār | •, | " |
| | Jina Dutta Süri Gyānā Bhanḍār | ,, | ,, |
| 98. | Hukamamuni Gyana Bhandar | ", | *** |
| 99. | Devācanda Lāl Bhāi Library | " | 77 |
| 100. | Dālu Bhāi Amar Canda Gyāna Bhandār | ** | 17 |
| 101. | Madan Bhāi Pratāp Canda Library | ,, | 77 |
| 102. | Dharmanāthāno Mandir Gyana Bhandar | ** | 7* |
| 103. | Nemi Canda Milap Canda Upāsaraya Bhand | ar " | 77 |
| 104. | Ādināthano Mandir Gyāna Bhanḍār | ,, | 7 • |
| 105. | Cintāmaņi Pārśvanātha Mandir Gyāna Bhar | ıdar " | 17 |
| 106. | Jaina Upāsaraya Gyāna Bhanḍār | ,• | 99 |
| 107, | Simandhara Swāmino Gyāna Bhandār | ** | 77 |
| 108. | Digambara Jaina Pancāyati Mandir- | | |
| | Gyāna Bhanḍār | _ | |
| 109. | Kadvāmati Gacha Bhandār | (Swetāmbar) | Rādhānpur |
| 110. | Bhāṇa Khushālno Bhanḍār | ,, | " |

| S. No. | Name of the Granthn Bdangar | | Place |
|--------------|--|---|---|
| 111. | Sāgar Gachāno Bhandār | (Swetāmbar) | Rādhānpur (Bombay) |
| 112. | Tāmbolī Śerīno Bhanḍār | ,, |)) |
| 113. | Vijay Gachāno Bhanḍār | ,, | ,, |
| 114. | Jaya Vijay Jaina Pustakālaya | " | •• |
| 115. | Vira Vijaya Gyāna Bhanḍār | ,, | ** |
| 116. | Santinatha Derasarno Bhandar | ,, | Bombay |
| 117. | Godi Muno Bhanḍār | ** | ; ; |
| 118. | Anantanāthji Derāśarno Bhandār | ,, | 27 |
| 119. | Mohanlāji Jaina Library | ** | " |
| 120. | Pannā Lāl Digambara Jaina Sarasw | ati . | |
| | Bhavan | (Digmbar) | ? ? |
| 121. | Grantha Bhanḍār Candra Prabhā | | |
| | Digambar Jaina Māndir, Bhulesvar | 27 | 37 |
| 122. | Māṇak Canda Hirācanda Digmbar | | |
| | Jaina Bhanḍār | ** | 23 |
| 123. | Adinātha Derāsarno Bhandar | (Swetāmbar) | " |
| 124. | Vīranagar Jaina Gyāna Bhanḍār | ,, | . Vīranagar |
| 125. | Bhoya Gachano Bhandar | • | Sāņand |
| 126. | Vijaya Ānand Gyānn Bhanḍār | ** | • |
| 127. | Gyānodaya Pustakālaya | 73 · | Dhundhāva |
| 123. | Sri Jaina Sangha Gyāna Bhanḍār | 17 | Godhāvi |
| 129. | Sumatiratna Sūri Library | •, | Kheda |
| 130. | Aṣṭāpāda Gyāna Bhandar | 71 | Kapaḍā Vanj |
| 131. | Māṇak Bhāi Gyāna Bhandar | 59 | " |
| 132. | Mithābhāi Upāsaraya Bhandār | . ,, | 77 |
| 133. | Amar Vijay Gyāna Bhandār | ** | Haloi |
| 134. | Mukta Bhāi Gyāna Bhan5ār | ,, | *** |
| 135. | Amar Vijay Gyāna Bhandar | " | Sinore |
| 136. | Săgar Gacha Bhandar | ? > | Bhaipa |
| 137. | Ādīsvara Deraśarno Bhandār | * * | •• |
| 138. 139. | Anūpeanda Malūkeanda Bhandār | " | ,, |
| 137. | Devardhi Gani Ksemā Sramana Gyānr Bhandār | | 70-11 m m |
| 140. | • | 3* | Pālitāņā |
| 140. | Ānandji Klyānji Bhandār Vašovijavii Guzukul Gyāna Bhand | ,, 5.r | ** |
| 142. | Yasovijayji Gurukul Gyāna Bhard Kapūr Vijayji Bhandār | ar ", | , |
| 143. | Jaina Āgam Sāhitya Mandir | " | " |
| 144. | Vîra Bhāi Pāthaśālā Bhandār | ** | , |
| 145. | Moti Tai Bhandar | ** | 27 |
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| S. No. | Name of the Grantha Bhandar | | Place |
|--------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|------------|
| 146. | Nīti Vijai Gyān Bhandār | (Swetāmbar) | Cāṇasmā |
| 147. | Umed Khāti Gyāna Bhandār | ** | Gingūvāḍā |
| 148. | Vinaya Vijay Gyāna Bhandār | , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , | Jamnagar |
| 149. | Jainanand Gyana Mandir | 99 / | ,, |
| 150. | Ānandjī Kalyāņjī Gyāna Bhandār | " | Limbdi |
| | Kasti Vijaya Bhandar | ** | Barodā |
| 152. | Ātmārāmjī Gyāna Bhandār | " | ,, |
| 153. | Muktīkamal Mohān Gyāna Bhandār | >> | 3) |
| 154. | Srī Sangh Gyāna Bhandār | ,, | Chāṇi |
| 155. | Vîra Vijaya Śāstra Sangrah | >> | , |
| 156. | Vijaya Labdhi Sūri Sāstra Sangrah | 1) | ,, |
| 157. | Kīrti Vijay Bhandār | ,, | •• |
| 158. | Sanghāno Sangrah | 29 | ** |
| 159. | Budhi Sāgar Sūri Gyāna Mandir | •> | Bījāpur |
| 160. | | 77 | Viramgānva |
| 161. | jaina Dharma Vijya Pustakālaya | ,, | ,, |
| 162. | Digambar Jain Bhattarkiya Granth Bhan | | Idar |
| 163. | Ksama Sāgarji Sāstra Sangrah | (Swetāmbar) | Jālīmorā |
| 164. | Jaina Ātmānand Pustakālaya | , ,, | Poona |
| 165. | Sumati Ratani Suri Bhandar | 99 | Aiḍā |
| 166. | Bhāgya Ratna Bhandār | ,, | 29 |
| 167. | Gambhīra Vijaya Bhanḍār | 59 | Bhāvnagar |
| 168. | Deśabhāi Abhai Canda Bhandar | ,, | 99 |
| 169. | Lalit Vijaya Gyana Bhandar | 99 | 17 |
| 170. | | 99 | ** |
| 171. | Vardhi Candra Bhandar | >3 | ** |
| 172. | Sanghano Bhandar | ,, | ** |
| 173. | Kastūrasāgar Bhanḍār | 93 | * 1 |
| 174. | Vastu Sāgar Bhandār | ,, | ,, |
| 175. | Maganlāl Becardāsa Bhandār | ** | 21 |
| 176. | Jaina Dharam Pracāraka Sabhā Bhandā | r ,, | 7.5 |
| 177. | Sri Sangha Bhanḍār | 1) | Ghogha |
| 178. | Keśara Vijaya Bhandār | ** | Badvāni |
| 179. | Jaina Sangha Bhandar | " | _ 3, |
| 180. | Grantha Bhandar Digambara Jaina Par | ıcāyatī Mandir | Šolāpur |
| 181. | do | | Mood Bidri |
| 182. | Digmbar Jaina Siddhanta Bhavan | | 77 |
| 183. | Digmbar. Ādinātha Grantha Bhandār | | ** |
| 184. | Grantha Bhandar Digmbar Jaina Math | a | 33 |

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| 185. Grantha Bhanḍār Digmbar Jaina Matha | | Karkal |
| 186, Digmbar Jaina Siddhānta Bhavan | | Ārrah (Bihar) |
| 187. Grantha Bhandar Bhattaraka Jaina Matha | | Kolhāpura |

Digmbar Jain Bhattarkīya Grantha Bhandar

APPENDIX. II

SOME OF THE EARLIER WRITTEN MANUSCRIPTS PRESERVED IN BHATŢĀRKĪYA GRANTHA BHANDĀR, NĀGAUR

SAMSKRIT

| S, No. | Name af the work | Author's Name | Date of the manuscript |
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| | . | Śubhacandra | 1491 A.D. |
| 1. | Gyanarņava | Pūjyapāda | 1474 ,, |
| 2. | Sarvārthasiddhi | -do- | 1534 " |
| 3, | -do- | · · | 1437 ,, |
| 4. | Vardhamāna Kāvya* | Asaga | 1529 |
| 5. | Varānga Caritra | Vardhamānadeva | 1220 |
| 6. | Kirātārjunīya | Bhārvī | 1625 |
| | —do— | —do— | 1.400 |
| 7. | Gīta Govinda | Jayadeva . | 1.405 |
| 8. | Dhanyakumār Caritra | Guṇabhadra | 1 407 |
| 9. | Madana Parājaya | Jinadeva | 1407 ,, |
| 10. | Raghuvanśa | Kālīdāsa | • |
| . , | (with commentary) | commentary by | |
| | | Sumati Vljay | 1472 ,, |
| 11. | Yasodhara Caritra | Sakal Kīrti | 1499 " |
| ٠, | —do— | —do— | 1598 " |
| 12. | Sisupāla Vadha | Magha Kavi | 1608 " |
| 13. | | Śrīdhara | 1446 " |
| 14. | Caritrasāra | Ratanbhūṣaṇa | 1462 ,, |
| 15. | - artitubara | Āśādhar | 1464 ,, |

Note: *The manuscript was written by Bhattaraka Padmanandi in Tambore village.

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| S. No. | Name of the work | Author's Name | Date of the manuscript |
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| 1. | Trilokasāra Vritti | Ācārya Nemicandra Tīkā by Munindra | |
| | • | Candra. | 1475 A. D. |
| 2. | Samayasāra Vritti | Ācārya Kunda Kunda | |
| | • | Vritti by Amrita Candra | a 1495 " |
| 3. | *Varānga Cariu (A) | Tejapāla | 1550 " |
| 4. | Parmātma Prakāśa (A) | Yogindra | |
| | with Vritti | Ţīkā by Brahmadeva | 1383 " |
| 5. | _do_ | —do— | 1407 " |
| 6, | Pravacanasāra (P) | Kundakundācārya | 1484 ,, |
| 7. | Rohîni Vidhāna (A) | Devanandi | 1462 " |
| 8. | Jasahara Cariu | Puṣpadanta | 1505 " |
| 9. | do | -do- | 1501 ,, |
| 10. | Mūlacāra (P) | Vaţţakerācārya | 1462 ., |
| 11. | _do_ (P) | do | 1338 " |
| 12. | Nāya Kumār Cariu (A) | Pușpadanta | 1441 ,, |
| 13. | Panca Sangraha (P) | Nemicandra | 1482 ,, |
| 14. | Bhavişayatta | | • |
| | Cariu (A) | Dhanapāla | 1520 ,, |
| 15. | Pajjuņņa Cariu (A) | Sidha Kavi | 1539 ,, |
| 16, | Dhamma Parīkkhā (A) | Harişena | 1520 ,. |
| 17. | Dravya Sangraha (P) | Nemicandra | 1435 ,, |
| | | with commentary | |
| | • | by Brahmadeva | |
| 18. | Jambu Swāmi Cariu (A) | Mahākavi Vīra | 1570 ,, |
| 19. | Gommaţţasāra (P) | Nemicandra | 1438 ., |
| 20, | Karakandu | | |
| | Cariu (A) | Muni Kanakāmar | 1468 ,. |
| 21. | Sukumāl Cariu (A) | Pūrnabhadra | 1524 ,, |
| 22. | do | de | 1584 ,, |
| 23 | Sudaņsaņa Cariu (A) | Nayanandi | 1511 ,, |
| 24. | do (A) | do | 1467 ,, |
| | | | · · |

Note: *The work was composed in Samvat 1607 (1550 A. D.) Vaiśākha Sudhi 6 and this manuscript was copied in Samvat 1607 (1550 A. D.) Jesta Sudi 3 i. e. just after 27 days of its completion.

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| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 5. | Sāvaya Dhammadohā | Devasena | 933 A.D. | Āmer Śāstra |
| | | | | Bhanḍār Jaipur |
| 6. | Mahāpurāņa | Puṣpadaata | 10th Century | —do— |
| 7. | Nāya Kumār Cariu | —do— | —do— | do |
| 8. | Jasahara Cariu | -do- | do | —do— |
| 9. | Pāsa Purāņa | Padma Kīrti | 942 A. D. | do |
| 10. | Dhamma Parikkhā | Harișeņa | 983 A. D. | -do- |
| 11. | Pāhuda Dohā | Muni Rāmsingh | 1 1000 A. D. | Bhaṭṭārkīya |
| | | | | Grantha Bhandar |
| | v , | | | Nāgaur |
| 12. | Vilās Vai Kahā | Sādharņa Kavi | 1066 A. D. | Brihad Gyāna |
| | • | | | Bhandar Jaislmer |
| 13. | Harivansa Purāņe | Dhaval | 11th century | Grantha Bhandar |
| ٠. | • | | | Terāpanthī Mandir, |
| ٠, | | • | | Jaipur |
| 14. | Jambu Swāmi Cariu | Vīra Kavi | 1019 A. D. | Āmer Śāstra |
| 15. | Sudansana Cariu | Nayanandi | 1043 A. D. | do |
| 16. | Sayalvihivihan Kavva | _do_ 1 | 1th century | —do— |
| 17. | Karakandu Cariu | Kankamar 🐩 | 1065 A, D, | do |
| 18. | Ratna Karanda | Sricandra | 11th | |
| | Śrāvakācār | | Centutury | do |
| 19. | Kathā Koşa | do - | do | |
| 2ა. | Chakkammovayesa | Amarkīrti | 1217 A. D. | do |
| 21. | Purandar Vidhān | ; .** | ** | |
| | Kathā | do | 13th Century | do |
| 22. | Sukumal Cariu | Vivudha Sridhara | 12–13th " | do |
| 23. | Pāsaņāha Cariu | Śridhar | 1139 A. D. | • |
| 24. | Bhavişyattā Cariu | Śridhar | 1173 A. D. | —do— |
| 25, | Sulocanā Cariu | Gaņi Devasena | | —do— |
| 26. | Kala Swarūp Kulak | Jinadattasūri | 12th | Brihad Gyāna Bhandār Jaisalmer |
| | | | . , | |
| 27, | Carcarī | - 40 | do | do do |
| 28. | Vairāgyasāra | Suprabhācārya | do | do |
| - 29. | Sri Sthulibhadra | Jina Padma | 12th-13th | —-uu |
| 20 | Phāga | Sūri | · | • |
| 30. | Neminātha Catusa | Vinayacandra | do | do |
| . 21 | Padikā | Sūri | do | do |
| ٦١, | Nemiņāha Cariu | -Haribhadrasūri - | uu | |

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| 25. | Samskrit Commentary | on | |
| | Sudaņsaņa Cariu (A)- | | 1513 A. D. |
| | (This was written by Mu | ıni Padma Kīrti) | |
| 26. | Sulocană Cariu (A) | Ganidevasena | 1519 " |
| 37. | Swami Kartī- | | |
| | Keyanuprekṣā (P) | Kartīkeya | 1467 ,, |
| 28. | Vaddhamāņa | , | , |
| | Kāvya (A) | Jayamitra hala | 1478 ,, |
| 29. | -do- | -do- | —do — |

(A)—Apabhramsa works (P)—Prākrit works.

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| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 32. | Sanat Kumār Cariu | Haribhadrasūri | 12th-13th Century | Brihad Gyāna Bhandār Jaisalmer |
| 33. | Guruparivādī | Palha Kavi | . ,, | —do— |
| 34. | Pajjunņa Cariu | Sinha Kavi | 13th " | Ämer Sästra Bhandär Jaipur |
| 35. | Candraprabha Cariu | do | 12th-13th , | —do— |
| 36. | Pāndava Purāņa | Yasah Kirti | 15th " | —do— |
| 37. | Harivansapurāņa | -do- | .15th ,, | do |
| 38. | Uvaesamāla Kalyāna | · Vinaya Candra | 13th- ,, | Bhattarkīya Grantha Bhandar |
| | | | | Nāgaur |
| 39. | Cūnari Rāsa | do | 13th | do |
| 40. | Nirjhar Pancanī Kahā Rāsa | do | do | do |
| 41. | Jinayatta Cariu | Lākhu or Laxm | aṇa —do— | do |
| .42. | Mallināha Kāvya | Jayamitrahala | -do- | do |
| 43. | Vaddhamāņa Kāvya | do | _do_ | —do— |
| 44. | Śrenika Cariu | —do— | do | —do— |
| 45. | Nemināha Cariu | Laxmana Deva | 14th | Grantha Bhanḍār |
| | | • | | Jaina Temple Patodi, Jaipur |
| 46. | Sugandha Dasamī Kathā | Vimal Kirti | > > | do |
| 47. | Śrīpāla Cariu | Narsena | -do- | Āmer Sāstra Bhandār Jaipur |
| 48. | Vaddhamāna Kahā | do | -do- | -do- |
| 49. | | | do | Bhaṭṭārkiya |
| | Kahā | | , | Grantha Bhandar Nagaur |
| 50. | Pāsaņāha Cariu | Asavāla | _do_ | Grantha Bhandar Jaina Temple |
| . ***- | | | | Terāpanthī Jaipur |
| 51. | Madana Daržiasa | Hardeva | do | do |
| 52. | | Dhanpāl | • | Āmer Śāstra |
| <i>-</i> | Bahubali Cariu | Duanpar ,. | • " | Bhandar Jaipur |
| 53. | Bhavişa Yatta Kahā | do = `` | do | _do |
| 54. | Sanmatiņāha Cariu | Subhakīrti | do | Bhattārkīya Grantha Bhandār |
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| 55. | Rohaņī Vidhān | Devanandi | 14th Century | Bhaṭṭārkīya Grantha Bhanḍār |
| 56. | Daśa Lakśaņa Kahā | Hari Candra | do | Nagaur Grantha Bhandār Kāmā |
| 57. | Munisubratānuprekśä | Yogadeva | —do— | do |
| 58. | Sambhavanāha Cariu | Tejapāla | = | Grantha Bhandār Temple Diwānjī Jaipur |
| 59. | Varānga Cariu | —do— | 1450 A. D. | - |
| 60. | Pāsaņāha Cariu | do | 1458 A. D. | |
| 61. | Sukumāl Cariu | Pūrņabhadra | —do— | Āmer Śāstra Bhanḍār Jaipur |
| 62. | Dhamma Parikkhā | Śrutakīrti | | Bhaṭṭārkīya Śāstra Bhanḍār Nagaur |
| 63. | Harivansa Purāņa | do | | -do- |
| 64. | Parmesţī Prākasa Sāra | —do— | | —do— |
| 65. | Yogasāra | do | | Grantha Bhandar Jain Temple Terapanthi |
| 66. | Sāntīnāha Cariu | Mahieandra | · . | Mandir Jaipur Bhaṭṭārkiya Grantha Bhanḍār |
| 67. | Nemiņāha Cariu | Damodar | 15th Century | Nagaur —do— |
| 68. | Candappaha Cariu | do | -do- | -do- |
| 69. | Srīpāla Cariu | do | do | do |
| 70. | Ajiyanāha Purāṇa | Vijaysingh | do | Grantha Bhanḍār D-Jaina Manḍir Pārśvanātha Jaipur |
| 71. | Sanmati Jina Cariu | Raidhu | do | Bhaṭṭārkīya Śāstra Bhandār-Nāgaur |
| 72. | Sukauśala Cariu | do | do | —do— |
| 73. | Puuyasrava Kathā | -do- | -do- | -do- |
| 74. | Vritta Sāra | do | do | do |
| 75. | Aņathami Kathā | -do- | -do- | do |
| 76. | Sidhāntārthasāra | -do- | -do- | do |
| 77. | Samayktva Kaumudi | do | —do— | —do— |
| 78, | Şodaşa Kāran Jayamālā | —do— | do | —do— |

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| 79. | Daśa Lakśaņa Jayamālā | Raidhu | 15th Century | Bhattarkiya Grantha Bhandar Nagaur |
| 80. | Jīvandhar Carita | _do_ | do | do |
| 81. | Karakandu Carita | do | do | do |
| 82. | Atma Sambodhan | do | do | do |
| 83. | Balbhadra Carita | do | .—do— | Āmer Śāstra Bhanḍār Jaipur |
| 84. | Nemināha Jina Carita | do | do | do |
| 85. | Sammatta Gunanidhan | do | do | do |
| 86. | Sripãia Carita | do | do | do |
| 87. | Pārsvapurāņa | do | do | Grantha Bhandar |
| .07. | i arsvapuraņa | | 40 | Mandir Bolsiri Kota |
| 88. | Meghesvar Carita | do | do | Āmer Śāstra |
| 89. | Yasodhara Carita | do | do | Bhanḍār Jaipur |
| 90. | Dhanyakumār Carita | do | do | do |
| 91. | Amarasena Carita | Māṇṇikka | 1519 A. D. | -do- |
| , ., | · · | Rāja | | |
| 92. | Nāgakumār Carita | do | 16th Century | do |
| 93. | Mrigānkaleha Carita | Bhagvati Dāsa | 17th " | do |
| 94. | Sugandha Dasami Rāsa | | | |
| 95. | Mukata Saptami Rāsa | | | |
| 96. | Harisena Cariu | | | do |
| 97. | Bhāvanā Kulaka | aurai carris | | Grantha Bhandar |
| | V 5 | | | Jassalmer |
| 98. | Maharsi Kulaka | | | do |
| 99. | Karakandu Cariu | | | Grantha Bhadar of |
| | | | | Jaina Temple Abhi |
| , | | | | nandan Swami Bundî |
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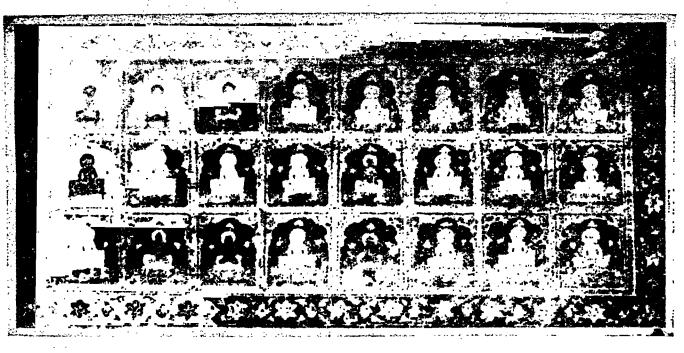


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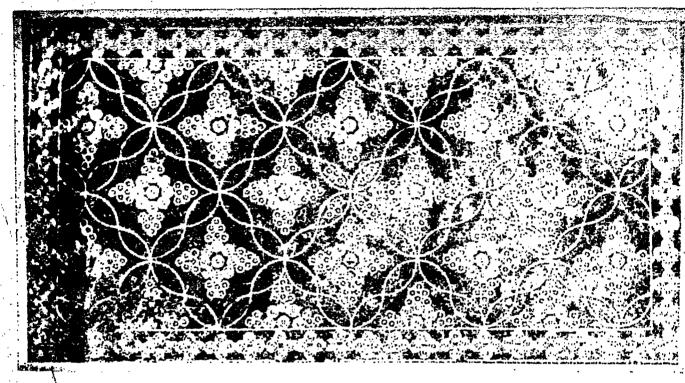


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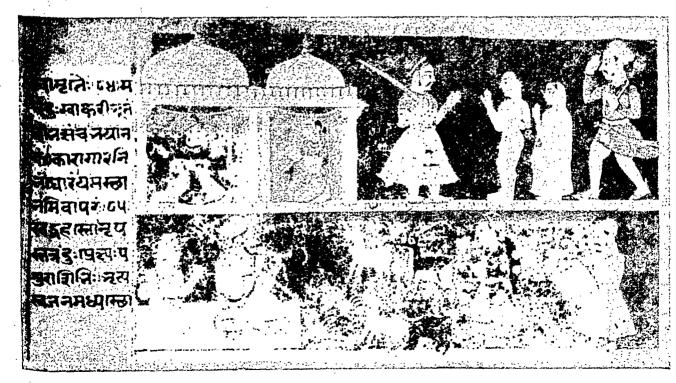
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